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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1689.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Back versus Andrews.*

**J.** S. purchased a Copyhold to himself, his Wife, and his Daughter, and their Heirs, and afterwards surrenders this Copyhold to the Plaintiff, and his Heirs, for securing a Sum of Money, and dies; the Plaintiff brought this Bill to have the Estate made good to him, and the Question was, Whether he should have any, or what Part of the Land?

*J. S.* *J. S.* not intitled to any Part of the Lands, it being an Advancement for the Wife and Daughter, and the Husband and Wife taking one Moiety thereof by Intireties.

For the Plaintiff, it was insisted, he ought to have the whole, for that the whole Purchase-Money was the Money of *J. S.* and the Wife and Daughter were but Trustees for him; but at the worst he must have the Husband's Share.

For the Defendant, it was insisted, that this Purchase should be looked upon as an Advancement for the Wife and Daughter, and they not to be Trustees, and the Husband and Wife took by Intireties; and so the Surrender of the Husband could pass no Part of the Lands, and it being a Copyhold, the Plaintiff might have in-

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Case 1.

11 January,  
Lords Com-  
missioners  
Maynard, Keck,  
and Rawlin-  
son.

2 Vern. 120.  
S. C.

A. Purchases  
a Copyhold in  
his own, his  
Wife, and  
Daughter's  
Names, and  
afterwards  
surrenders it  
for the secur-  
ing a Debt to



formed himself how the Title stood; and of that Opinion were all the Commissioners; so the Bill was dismissed, but without Costs.

Case 2.

*Gower versus Mead.*

25 January.

*A. makes B. his Executor, and Devises to him 20 l. and his Real Estate to J. N. upon Condition that he pay his Debts and Legacies, the Personal Estate shall be applied in Ease of the Real, in discharging the Debts and Legacies.*

A Man makes his Will, and J. S. his Executor, and gives him a Legacy of 20 l. and Devises all his Lands to J. N. and his Heirs, upon Condition, that he Pay his Debts and Legacies; and if the Debts were not Paid within two Months after his Death, and the Legacies within three Months, then the Creditors and Legatees might enter; and the only Question was, Whether in this Case the Personal Estate should be first applied in Ease of the Real Estate devised to J. N.

Serjeant *Phillips* for the Plaintiff argued, that the Personal Estate should not be liable in this Case, and said, it was the same, as if the Testator had devised Lands to J. N. upon Condition to pay 20 l. to A. and 20 l. to B. and in that Case, without Question, the Devisee of the Lands could have no Advantage of the Personal Estate.

Serjeant *Hutchins*, for the Defendant. It is a settled Rule, that *Heres Factus* shall have the Benefit of the Personal Estate, as well as the *Heres Natus*; and tho' the Personal Estate had been devised to the Executor; yet if it were not said, without being liable to Debts, it should be applied, in Ease of the Real Estate; and to that Purpose was the Case of *Turner*, and *Zouch*, and *Cook*, and *Guavas* in the *Exchequer*; if a Man makes a Mortgage, and does not covenant to pay the Mortgage-Money; yet the Personal Assets shall be first applied in Ease of the Real Estate; and so it must be in the present Case.

Lord Commissioner *Maynard*. If a Man devises his Real Estate to another, upon Condition to pay his Debts, and does not dispose of his Personal Estate, that shall be first applied in Ease of the Real Estate: And here the Condi-

tion annexed to the Devise, is not a Condition to avoid the whole Estate, but only to give an Entry to the Creditors and Legatees.

*Keck.* The Creditors have likewise a Bill now at hearing, and have a Demand primarily against the Personal Estate, and may certainly take their Remedy against that, if they please. Suppose in this Case there had been no Executor named, the Administrator must certainly have applied the Personal Estate in Ease of the Real; and the Executor does take no more to his own Use than an Administrator; therefore the Personal Estate must be applied.

*Rawlinson.* There is a Diversity betwixt *Heres Factus*, and a Devisee of particular Lands; for a Devisee of particular Lands shall not have the Benefit of the Personal Estate, but *Heres Factus* of the whole Estate shall.

*Heres Factus* of the whole Estate shall have the Benefit of the Personal Estate, but a

Devisee of particular Lands shall not.

*Devenish versus Baines.*

Case 3.

**B**Y the Custom of the Manor of *Yerminster Prima* in *Devonshire*, every Copyhold Tenant of that Manor, may, in the Presence of two Witnesses, nominate his Successor, and such Nominee shall enjoy the Lands after him for Life; and the Person who nominates may except any Part of the Lands to any other Person, yet the Nominee continues Tenant to the Lord for the whole, but the Person to whom any Part is excepted shall enjoy that Part during his Life; and if any Tenant dies seised, leaving a Wife, and makes no Nomination, then the Wife shall have the Tenement during her Life, else it goes to the Lord.

*J. S.* being a Copyholder of this Manor, and having a great Affection for the Plaintiff, who was his Godson, and intending to leave the greatest Part of his Copyhold to him, and the rest to his Wife, when he was sick,

A Copyholder by his Will intending to give the greatest Part of his Estate to his Godson, and the other Part to his Wife;

the Wife persuades him to nominate her to the whole, and that she would give the Godson the Part designed for him; decreed against the Wife, notwithstanding the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*.



was advising with some of the Copyholders of the Manor, how this might best be done, whether it were not best to nominate the Plaintiff his Successor, with Exception of such Part to his Wife as he intended for her; but the Wife being then present, pretended it might be prejudicial to her, as to the Part intended her, and that if he would nominate her his Successor, she would take Care the Plaintiff should have such Part of the Land as was intended him, and offered to give Security to that Purpose; thereupon J. S. nominates her Successor, and dies; she refusing to let the Plaintiff enjoy the Lands intended him, he brought this Bill to have them decreed to him: The Defendant pleaded the Statute of *Frauds and Perjuries*, for that there was no Memorandum, &c. in Writing.

Serjeant *Hutchins* and others for the Defendant, insisted, that the Plaintiff could pretend to no Decree but upon the Wife's being a Trustee for him, or her having agreed that he should have them; and all Agreements concerning Lands, and all Trusts concerning Lands, must be, by the express Words of the Statute, in Writing.

Serjeant *Phillips* and others for the Plaintiff, insisted, that Copyholders are not within the Statute, and that Cases of like Nature have been decreed here; as in *Chamberlain's Case*, which was this, The Father being about to make his Will, and thereby to make certain Provisions for his younger Children; his Son and Heir apparent persuaded him not to make any such Will, and that he would take Care his Brothers and Sisters should have those Provisions; whereupon the Father forbore to make the Provisions, and they were decreed against the Heir in this Court.

A Son and Heir Apparent persuades his Father not to make a Will, which he intended to have made, and which was to contain Provisions for his younger Children, promising to do for them himself: Equity will decree the Heir to give them such Provisions.

All the *Commissioners* were of Opinion for the Plaintiff, and said, they decreed it not as an Agreement or a Trust, but as a Fraud; and they were of Opinion, that seeing by the Custom of the Manor an Estate might be created

created by Parol without Writing, a Trust of such Parol Estate might likewise be raised without Writing, notwithstanding the Statute. And *Keck* said, that where a Tenant in Tail was about to suffer a Recovery, in order to provide for his younger Children, and had been kept from it, by the Issue in Tail promising to do it; it had been decreed in this Court.

dren, by his promising to do for them himself: Equity will compel him to it, after the Father's Death.

Tenant in Tail is prevented by the Issue in Tail from suffering a Recovery, in order to provide for younger Children.

### Lord Viscount *Teviot* versus Lady *Spencer*, & al' & econt'.

Case 4.

4 February.  
In Court all the Commissioners.

**S**IR *Thomas Spencer*, by Fine and Recovery and Deed, dated 10 May, 12 Car. 2. settled the Manor of *T. &c.* on himself for Life, and after on Sir *Benjamin Maddox* and others, for 21 Years, to commence from his Death; and after that Lease, on *William Spencer*, his Son in Tail, with Remainder to his own right Heirs, and the Trust of the Term is thereby declared to be for raising 5000 *l.* viz. 2000 *l.* for the eldest Daughter of Sir *Thomas*, that should be unmarried at the Time of his Death, and to be paid at her Age of 18 Years, or Marriage, which should first happen; and the other 3000 *l.* to be equally divided amongst his younger Children, to be paid at their respective Ages of 18 Years, or Days of Marriage, which should first happen: And in the Deed there was a *Proviso*, that if *William Spencer*, or any Issue Male of his Body, should pay or secure the 5000 *l.* according to the Deed, then the Lease to be void.

A Man has Issue a Son and four Daughters; he settles Lands on himself for Life, Remainder for 21 Years, for raising 5000 *l.* Daughter's Portions, 2000 *l.* whereof to be paid the Eldest, Remainder to the Son in Tail, Remainder to himself in Fee. The Son dies without Issue, and after, the Father devises the Land to his four Daughters equally,

yet held that the Eldest should have 1000 *l.* more than any of the rest.

Afterwards *William* the Son died, and after Sir *Thomas* having no other Sons, made his Will, and thereby devised the Manor of *T. &c.* to his Wife for Life, for Increase of her Jointure, and she to pay 100 *l.* per Annum to his Sister, *&c.* and afterwards in the Will there was this Clause, *And thereby declare that I leave my Lands of Inheritance to descend to my Daughters, as my Heirs at*

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Law,



*Law, on Account of my dying without Issue Male of my Body; and that the Lands hereby given to my Wife, or settled in Jointure on her formerly, shall not be charged with any Portions or Sums of Money to my said Daughters, by Virtue of any former Marriage Settlement made by me.*

Sir Thomas dies, leaving Issue four Daughters, all unmarried; the eldest Daughter afterwards married the Plaintiff; and this Bill was brought against the Lady Spencer and the other three Daughters and their Husbands; and the Trustees to have the Benefit of this Term, and to have the 2000*l.* raised and paid to the Plaintiff.

The Defendants insisted, that the Settlement made by Sir Thomas was only intended to be a Provision for Daughters, in Case he had left Issue Male; and that failing, it ought in Equity to be set aside, and no Use to be made of it: And the rather that Sir Thomas, who had an absolute Power to dispose of the Inheritance as he thought fit, had by his Will declared, that his Land should not be charged with any Marriage Portion or Sum of Money for his Daughters, but that they should have equal Benefit of it; and their Cross Bill was to the same Purpose.

But the Lords Commissioners were all clearly of Opinion that the Plaintiff must have 1000*l.* more than the other Sisters; and that if the other three Sisters did not agree to pay her three fourth Parts of that 1000*l.* out of their Shares of the Land, then the Trustees were to raise the Money according to their Power; and the Lady Spencer was to be reimbursed out of the Inheritance, what her Estate for Life should be damnified in this Matter.

*Fowkes*

*Fowkes versus Joyce.*

Case 5.

9 February.  
2 Vern. 129:  
S. C.

**T**HE Defendant was owner of an Inn, and certain Lands belonging to it in *Barnet*, and had let that Inn and Lands to *J. S.* who was grown considerably in Arrear of his Rent. The Plaintiff was a Person who traded in Sheep and Cattle, and had sent his Servants with a Parcel of Sheep to be sold at *London*: In their Way they came to this Inn; and as they had usually done, by Leave of the Tenant, they put the Sheep into the Ground belonging to the Inn, to lodge for that Night.

The Servants of a Grazier driving a Flock of Sheep to *London*, are encouraged by an Inn-keeper to put the Sheep into Pasture Grounds belonging to the Inn: The

Landlord seeing the Sheep, consents they shall stay there one Night, and then distrains them for Rent. Grazier relieved against this Distress.

*Joyce* the Landlord immediately comes down to the Ground, and pretended to be very angry that the Sheep were there; whereupon the Drivers said they were sorry if they had done any thing amiss, and if he pleased would take the Sheep out again, and give him any Satisfaction for the Time they had been there, which was not half an Hour; whereupon *Joyce* asked what they were to give a Night, they replied 8*d.* per Night a Score; then said *Joyce*, if you be Customers to the Inn, you may let them be there to Night at that Rate; whereupon they were continued in the Grounds: And when the Servants came in the Morning to take them away, *Joyce* had distrained them for his Rent, so they replevied the Sheep. And Judgment being given for *Joyce* in that Action in *C. B.* *Fowke* the Owner of the Sheep brought this Bill to be relieved against that Judgment, and was so.

The Court relied on this Reason, that when the Drivers offered to take the Sheep out of the Pasture again, at which Time they were not distrainable for the Rent, having not been *Levant* and *Couchant* upon the Lands, they were by the Fraud and Subtilty of *Joyce* induced to leave them there all Night, whereby they became liable to the Distress; and it was decreed for the Plaintiff with Costs, at Law, and in Equity.

Note;



*Note*; The Case of *Brodon* and *Pierce* was cited, where there being 20 Years Arrear of a Rent-Charge, and Cattle came by Escape out of the next Ground, and were distrained, &c. the Lord *Nottingham* relieved against it in this Court.

## Case 6.

*Anonymous.*

*A. Devifes 1200 l. to his Wife, and gives her all the Goods, Chattels, Plate, Jewels, Household-Stuff and Stock belonging to his House at N. 400 l. which the Testator had in ready Money in the House, won't pass by these Words,*

**I**N this Case was cited the Case of one *Earles*, before Mr. *Justice Jones*, sitting in the Absence of my Lord *Chancellor*. A Man by his Will in Writing, devised to his Wife 1200 l. in Money, and all the Goods and Chattels, Plate, Jewels, and Household-Stuff and Stock upon the Ground, in and belonging to his House in N. in which House there was 400 l. in Money; and if this 400 l. should pass by the Will, was the Question.

Decreed that it should not, for 400 l. is a considerable Sum, of which the Testator cannot be supposed to be miscountant of its being in the House; then had he an Intent that that Money should have passed, he would not have couched it under the general Words of all his Goods and Chattels, but would at first have given her 1600.

*Memorandum*; In Easter Term a new Commission passed for the Custody of the Great Seal; and Sir John Trevor and Serjeant Hutchins put in the Places of Sir John Maynard and Sir Anthony Keck.

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# Term. S. Trinitatis,

1690.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Alathea Goston, Widow and Relict of Francis Goston, and Francis Goston Administrator of the said Francis versus Sir John Mills.* Case. 7.

**T**HE Case was this, the Intestate *Francis*, about 1669, lent to *Edwin Sandys*, his Brother-in-Law, afterwards Lord *Sandys* 400*l.* and the said 400*l.* being unpaid, and the Interest of it greatly in Arrear. Lord *Sandys* makes his Will in Writing, and thereby devises to his Brother-in-Law *Francis Goston* 400*l.* in full Satisfaction of all he can Claim from him, and devises to the Plaintiff *Alathea* an Annuity of 25*l.* per Annum during her natural Life; and after devises all his Real Estate to the Defendant and his Heirs, chargeable with the Payment of his Debts, and of the said Annuity; the Plaintiff *Francis* refuses the Devise of the 400*l.* and this Bill was exhibited to have the 400*l.* and Interest, and the Annuity devised to the Plaintiff *Alathea*; and the Cause being decreed to an amount, it appeared by the Master's Report, that there was due for the said 400*l.* and Interest 800*l.*

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tion, and the whole Debt shall be paid.

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devises to B.  
400*l.* which  
was the Sum  
lent, in full  
Satisfaction  
of all the Mo-  
neys which he  
owed B. and  
subjects his  
Real Estate to  
the Payment  
of his Debts.  
The Debt  
which A.  
owed B. a-  
mounted, by  
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terest to 800*l.*  
but was bar-  
red by the  
Statute of Li-  
mitations:  
Court will  
suppose the  
Testator mis-  
taken in his  
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and the only Question was, Whether the Lord *Sandys* Real Estate should be charged with the whole 800 l. by Virtue of his Will.

The Defendant's Council insisted, that this being a Debt by simple Contract, did not in its own Nature charge the Land; and therefore it can be no farther liable to it than the Will has made it, and that the Devise for having given 400 l. in full Satisfaction of all Demands, is a plain Evidence, that either there was no more due, or at least, that he intended to subject his Land to no more; and that this Case is the stronger, for that this Debt by the Length of Time was barred by the Statute of Limitations.

The Plaintiff's Council insisted, that the Devise of the 400 l. is no Evidence that there was no more due; and if the Lord *Sandys* did think that no more was due, yet it appears by the Master's Report that he was mistaken, and he hath charged his Lands generally with the Payment of his Debts, and the Interest is as much a Debt as the Principal; and tho' it were once barred by the Statute of Limitations, yet it continues a Debt still, and is as much within the Trust of the Will, as any other of the Testator's Debts; and it does no where appear in the Will, that the Testator intended, that *Francis Goston's* whole Debt should not be charged on the Lands, tho' it should be more than 400 l.

A Man by Will recites his Debts, and then subjects his Real Estate for the Payment thereof, tho' he is mistaken in some of the Sums recited, yet all his Debts shall be paid.

All the Commissioners were clear, that the Land should be liable to the Payment of the whole Debt; and Lord *Rawlinson* put this Case, If a Man should recite in the Beginning of his Will, whereas he was indebted to A. 300 l. to B. 400 l. to C. 500 l. &c. when, indeed, he owed A. 400 l. B. 500 l. and C. 600 l. and afterwards should, by that Will, subject his Lands to the Payment of his Debts, would they not be liable to pay all that was due to A. B. and C. notwithstanding the Testator's mistaken Recital in the Beginning of his Will? Certainly they would; and the Case before us is the same.

*Knap versus Powell.*

Case 8.

**T**HE Plaintiff had a Legacy devised to him, payable within a Year after the Death of the Testator, who was his Half Brother; the Plaintiff knew nothing of the Legacy, nor of the Testator's Death, till the Executor publish'd it in the *Gazette*; and then he demanded his Legacy of the Defendant the Executor, and the only Contest was, Whether the Plaintiff should have Interest from the Time the Legacy should have been paid? The Court would not give any Interest, not so much as from the Time of the Bill exhibited; nor would they give Costs, even out of the Assets, but the bare Legacy.

A Legatee who has no Notice of his Legacy till the Executor publishes it in the *Gazette*, shall have no Interest for it.

*Fisk versus Fisk.*

Case 9.

2 July.

**T**homas Fisk the elder, had a Mortgage in Fee, which was forfeited; he makes his Will, and devises all his Mortgages to Thomas Fisk the younger, and makes him Executor and dies: Thomas the younger proves the Will, and after dies intestate. The Plaintiff takes out Administration *de bonis non* to Thomas the elder, and also Administration to Thomas the younger, and brings this Bill against the Mortgagor; and the Defendant Fisk who was Heir at Law to Thomas the elder and younger, and had bought in the Equity of Redemption. This Cause was heard on Bill and Answer, and it was agreed that both the *Fisks* left sufficient Assets without this Mortgage, and the Bill was to have the Defendant Fisk to assign the Mortgage, and have the Money paid, or else to foreclose them.

A Mortgage, tho' forfeited, and tho' the Heirs buy in the Equity of Redemption; and tho' no Defect of Assets, yet shall go to the Executor. But had the Heir been in by Descent of such forfeited Mortgage when he bought the Equity of Redemption, and no Defect of Assets, Equity would not take it from him.

And it was decreed, that the Defendant Fisk should pay the Plaintiff his Principal, Interest and Charges to a Day, or else assign the Mortgage, and be foreclosed; but my Lord Commissioner Trevor said, if the Mortgagee had been in Possession, and died so, he would not have taken



taken the Mortgage from the Heir, there being no Defect of Assets.

Case 10.  
8 July.

### *Cordell versus Noden.*

A. by Will gives several Legacies to his Relations, amounting to near the Value of his Estate, and makes . and C. his Executors, and gives them 20 l. and intreats them to take the Trouble of getting in his Estate. Testator lives ten Years after, and acquires an additional Estate. Deceases the surviving Executor but an Executor in Trust, and that the new

**M**R. Cordell being a Merchant, and having an Estate of about 2500 l. and being about to go beyond Sea, in December 1674, makes his Will, and in the Beginning thereof desires his Mother, and the Defendant Mr. Noden, to take upon them the Trouble of being his Executors, and makes them Executors, and then goes on and sets down all the Particulars of his Estate, and casts them up, and then says, *All my Estate aforesaid, and whatever else belongs to me, I dispose of as follows*; and then devises a Legacy of 10 l. to Noden, his Executor; and several other Legacies to his other Relations, to the Value of 2200 l. and after the making of his Will goes beyond Sea, and lives about ten Years, and improves his Estate to about 5500 l. His Mother dies, and several of his Relations to whom he had devised Legacies: And then the Testator dies.

acquired Estate should go to the Legatees in Proportion.

The Bill was brought by the Relations, who were Legatees, against the Defendant the Executor, to have an Account of the Personal Estate, and to have the Surplus distributed amongst them: It was taken Notice of in the Case, that Mr. Noden had usually been a Trustee in the Family; that the giving him a particular Legacy, and the Words, desiring him to take the Trouble of the Executorship, and the Computation made of his Estate, and the devising all but so small a Part left for Contingencies and Funerals, was a plain Evidence that he intended no Advantage of an Overplus to the Executor.

The Commissioners were all of Opinion that the Surplus should be distributed; but in this Case not according to the Statute of Distributions, but according to the Proportion of each ones Legacy, devised to him by the Testator.

Attorney General of the Dutchy, at the  
Relation of Mr. *Vermuden*, Plaintiff,  
versus Sir *John Heath*, & al' Defendants.

Cafe 11.

In the  
Dutchy  
Chamber at  
*Westminster*,  
9 July,  
Lord C. B.  
*Askins*, and  
Mr. Justice  
*Ventris* sit-  
ting in Court:  
The Attorney  
General of  
the Dutchy  
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half of one  
Part-Owner  
of Coal  
Mines, against  
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Outlawry in  
the Relator  
is a good  
Plea.

THE Information set forth, that the Relator and Defendants were Part-Owners of several Coal-Mines in *Derbysbire*, that the King had a Duty of *Lott* and *Cope* out of all the Lead Mines there, that by the Custom, if one Owner were at Expence for the improving or working a Mine, all the Owners ought to contribute and bear their Part of the Charge; that the Relator had been at great Charges in making Soughs and other things for working and improving the Mines, without which they could not be wrought (and so the King would lose his Duty) and that the Defendant would not contribute or pay any Part of the Charge; therefore to make him account with the Relator, and pay his Part of the Charge, was amongst other things the Scope of the Information.

To this the Defendant pleaded an Outlawry in the Relator, and it was long debated, whether the Plea was good or not, and at length the Plea was allowed by both the Judges to be good; for tho' Mr. Attorney General be Plaintiff, yet the Relator is to have the whole Benefit or Loss of the Suit, and is himself Party to it, for it would abate by his Death, &c. and the King's Name is only made Use of by the Form of the Court, and he is not directly concerned at all, and very little by Consequence; and the Suit is not for the King's Duty, but the Relator's Interest.

*White* versus *Hussey* & al'.

Cafe 12.

THE Plaintiff and Defendant *Hussey* were Trustees in a Term for 99 Years, for raising a Sum of Money, and J. S. who had the Reversion, settled it

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upon the Defendant *Hussey* and his Heirs, in Trust for his Mother (who had conveyed it before to him) for her Life, and after her Death, if he survived her, then in Trust for him and his Heirs; but if she survived him, then to her and her Heirs. Ten Years after, *White* lends a Sum of Money to *J. S.* (having had no Notice of this second Conveyance to *Hussey*) and takes a Mortgage of these Lands to Trustees; *J. S.* dies, his Mother surviving him: Then *White* sets up his Mortgage, and exhibits his Bill against the Mother of *J. S.* and the Defendant *Hussey*, to set aside the former Conveyance made by *J. S.* as being voluntary and fraudulent against him, and that therefore the Term of 99 Years might be wholly assigned to him, and he thereby enabled to raise the Trust Money, and his own Mortgage Money too; the Mother answers, and swears, that before her conveying the Estate to *J. S.* her Son, it was agreed between them, that he should make such Re-conveyance, and that the same was not made privately, or kept secret, nor was upon any Trust, and that she knew nothing of *White's* lending any Money to her Son.

*White* proceeds no farther upon this Bill. The Mother makes her Will and devises this Land to *Hussey* and another of the Defendants for Payment of Debts and Legacies: Then *White* exhibits a new Bill to the same Effect, against them, who make the same Answer the Mother had done before, *viz.* setting forth her Answer, and that they believed it to be true.

Upon the hearing of the Cause, the Court unanimously decreed for the Plaintiff, tho' it was strongly insisted by the Defendants Council that they could not so do without directing a Trial at Law, whether the Settlement on *Hussey* were fraudulent or not, for that Fraud or not was triable only by Jury (especially where the Fraud, if any, was only from its being voluntary) and that if at Law the Jury should find the Fact specially, and submit it to the Court, they could make no Judgment

Not necessary to send it to be tried at Law, Whether a voluntary Conveyance be fraudulent or not? For a Court of Equity can determine it.

ment upon it; but it must be expressly found by the Jury to be fraudulent or not. But the Commissioners were all of Opinion they might decree a Conveyance to be fraudulent, meerly for being voluntary, and that without any Trial at Law: And so they did in this Case.

*Martin versus Long.*

Case 13.

**A** Man devised a Term for Years to J.S. his Heirs, Executors and Assigns for ever, but if he died before 21, leaving no Issue, then to J.D. The Devisee died before 21, without Issue, and the Remainder was held to be good.

A Devise of a Term to A. his Heirs, Executors and Assigns for ever, but if he die before 21 without Issue, Re-

mainder over this Remainder is good.

*Claxton versus Claxton.*

Case 14.

**M**R. Claxton had made a Jointure to his Wife of several Lands in Suffolk, and after made his Will, and thereby devised these Lands to the Plaintiff and his Heirs, upon Condition to pay several Sums of Money to several Persons at several Days; and if he fail, then to A. and his Heirs upon the like Terms, and dies.

Equity will permit a Devisee of Lands, upon Condition to pay several Sums of Money, at a stated Time, to cut down

Timber for that Purpose, during the Life of a Jointress.

Some of the Money being near due, and the Plaintiff not having ready Money, and fearing to lose the Estate, exhibited his Bill against the Jointress, and those that were to come in upon his Default, and pray'd that he might be admitted to fell Timber off the Estate, to pay the Money; and the Court without Difficulty decreed it accordingly.



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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1690.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 15.

*Tay versus Slaughter.*

27 January.

Tenant in Tail without levying a Fine, or suffering a Recovery, may appoint to a Charity, which shall bind him in Remainder.

**T**ENANT in Tail settles Lands for a Charity, and in 1652 a Decree was made by the Commissioners of Charitable Uses for applying these Lands to the Charity; then the Estate Tail is spent, and Tay, who was the Remainder Man in Fee, and an Infant, put in Exceptions to the Decree, that he ought not to be bound by the Decree, not coming in under the Tenant in Tail.

But all the Commissioners were of Opinion that all Appointments of Tenant in Tail to a Charity, are by the Statute good and binding against the Remainder Man, as well as against the Issue in Tail; and therefore confirmed the Decree with Costs.

Case 16.

*Wheeler versus Newton.*

Sealing, not necessary to bring an Agreement out of the Statute of Frauds.

**T**HE Plaintiff had articulated with the Defendant for the Purchase of some Lands of his Wife's, and the Articles were in Writing, and signed by the Parties, but not sealed; but the Plaintiff was put into Possession of some Part of the Land; and therefore the Court decreed

decreed an Execution of the Agreement, tho' it were not under Seal. And my Lord Commissioner *Rawlinson* said, that Agreements in Writing, tho' not sealed, have some better Countenance since the Statutes of *Frauds* and *Perjuries* than they had before.

*Fairbeard* versus *Bowers* and *Foxcraft*,  
& econ't.

Case 17.

**B**OWERS being a Freeman and Citizen of *London*, and having three Bastard Children by the Plaintiff *Fairbeard* (which Children were likewise Plaintiffs in the Cause) about two Years before his Death gave a Bond of 1000 *l.* to the Plaintiff, *Fairbeard*, conditioned for Payment of 500 *l.* within six Months after his Death, to be equally divided between the three Children, and after confesseth a Judgment upon that Bond defeazanced in the same Manner, and dies Intestate. The Defendant *Bowers*, who was his Widow, took out Administration to him.

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A voluntary Judgment given by a Freeman of *London*, payable three Months after his Death, to be postponed to Debts by simple Contract, and to the Widow's customary Part, but will bind the Freeman's Legatory Part.

This Bill was exhibited against her and *Foxcraft*, who was Creditor of the Intestate's Estate, to have a Discovery of Assets, in order to subject them to the Judgment. And *Bowers* had a Cross Bill against *Fairbeard*, &c. to be quieted in the Enjoyment of her Customary Part, and to have an Injunction against the Judgment.

As to *Fairbeard's* Bill, she pleaded the Custom of *London*, by which she was intitled to a Moiety of her Husband's Estate, after Debts and Funerals paid, and that she had no other Provision but that, and that there was no Consideration for the Plaintiff's Judgment; and being to be paid after *Bowers's* Death, it was but in Nature of a Legacy, and demurred to the Discovery.

In the hearing of these Causes the whole Court was of Opinion, that there was no Consideration for entering into the Bond or Judgment (tho' it was urged, that by the Statute a Man is obliged to provide for his



Bastard Children) and therefore being to be paid after *Bowers's* Death, they reckoned it to be in Nature of a Legacy, and that all *Bowers's* Debts, and the Widow's Customary Part, should take Place before it (but my Lord Commissioner *Rawlinson* said he thought the Judgment should be paid before other Legacies, if there had been any) so they decreed an Account of the Estate and perpetual Injunction against the Bond and Judgment, and that it should be satisfied out of the Intestate's Customary Part, if sufficient.

## Case 17.

*Hill versus Moor.*

*A.* puts out 1000 *l.* at Interest to the *E. I. Company*, and takes Bond for it in the Name of *J. S.* his Wife's Relation. *A.* becomes a Bankrupt; *J. S.* is summoned before the Commissioners before Examination; he tells the *E. I. Company*, that the Money was not his, but that they should pay it to the Person that brought the Bond. *A.'s* Wife brings the Bond, and has the Money paid her. Equity will not relieve against it.

THE Defendant Sir *John Moor* was a Relation to Mr. *Hinton's* Wife, and Mr. *Hinton* had put out 1000 *l.* at Interest to the *E. I. Company*, and taken a Bond for it in the Name of Sir *John Moor*; after a Commission of Bankrupts was taken out against *Hinton*, and Sir *John Moor* was summoned before the Commissioners to be examined concerning *Hinton's* Estate, who appeared before them, and desired a Copy of the Interrogatories, and Time to consider them, which being granted, Sir *John Moor* before his Examination, goes and tells the *E. I. Company*, that the Bond that was given by them to him for 1000 *l.* was not for his own Money, but they might pay it to such Person as should bring the Bond; and upon that *Hinton's* Wife brings the Bond and receives the Money.

This Bill was brought by the Assignees of the Commissioners, to enforce Sir *John Moor* to pay the Money, but the Court would not relieve them.

## Case 18.

*Eccles versus Thawill.*

An Executor shall not redeem a mortgaged Term without paying a Debt contracted after.

THE Court declared in this Cause, that if a Man mortgages a Term, and afterwards becomes otherwise indebted to the Mortgagee, and dies; his Executors or

or Administrators shall never redeem, without paying the other Debts contracted after the Mortgage; but if they had been contracted before, they would have been intended to be included in the Mortgage. *Per Rawlinson.*

*Kingdome versus Boakes.*

Case 19.

**T**HE Bill was to discover, whether the Defendant, who was a Purchaser of Lands, had not Notice of the Plaintiff's Title before his Purchase; the Defendant by his Answer positively denied the Notice; and the Plaintiff proved it by one Witness only. And it was held by the Court, that one single Witness against the Defendant's positive Oath in his Answer, is not sufficient to ground a Decree. So the Bill was dismissed.

One Witness against the Defendant's Answer, not sufficient to ground a Decree on.

*Sir Edmund King versus Withers, & econt.*

Case 20.

**W**ITHERS being a Scrivener employed by Sir Edmund King, did propose to him a Security for 800*l.* which was the Estate of one *Billingsly*, and the Title was carried to Council to peruse, who approved the Title, if *Billingsly's* Wife had such a Jointure made her of other Lands, as would barr her Dower, and directed *Withers* to inquire, and satisfy him of that Matter. *Withers* never made any Inquiry, or at least never gave any Answer to the Council, but told Sir Edmund that *Billingsly* was a very honest Man, and so prevailed on him to lend the Money; *Billingsly* died, and his Wife appeared to have a Jointure of those mortgaged Lands. *Withers* purchased in the Jointresses Title; and when the Plaintiff clamoured and made loud Complaints against *Withers*, that he was like to lose his Money by his Means, and expostulated the Matter sharply with him at Sir Edmund's Council Chamber, *Withers*, to appease him, agrees to assign the Jointresses Estate in the first Place, to satisfy the Plaintiff Money, &c. and immediately reduced the Agreement into Writing himself,

A Scrivener who was employed to examine into a Title; fails in his Duty, by neglecting to make a thorough Inquiry, &c. whereby his Client is a Sufferer: Afterwards the Scrivener agrees to make him Satisfaction another Way. This Agreement decreed in Specie, tho' urged that there was no Consideration.



self, and executes it by sealing; but he afterwards refusing to make it good.

This Bill was brought to compel him to it, and his Cross Bill was to set aside the Agreement, for that it was without Consideration, and he threatned and frightened into it, and that he was not aware what he did when he did it: But the Court dismissed his Cross Bill, and decreed the Execution of the Agreement.

Case 21.

### *Wittingham versus Thornborough.*

A Policy of Insurance being made an ill Use of, the Court decreed it to be delivered up.

**T**HORNBOROUGH and others came to the Insurance Office, and bought a Policy for the insuring the Life of one *Horwell* (upon whose Life they had no Concern or Interest depending) for a Year; and the Policy ran, whether Interest or not Interested; and the Premium 5*l. per Cent.* and they took this Way to draw in Subscribers. They agreed with one *Marwood* a known Merchant upon the *Exchange*, and a leading Man in such Cases, to subscribe first; but in case *Harwell* died within the Year, *Marwood* was to lose nothing, but on the contrary was to share what should be gained from the other Subscribers.

Upon the Credit of *Marwood's* subscribing, several others (who had inquired of *Marwood* about *Harwell*, who was his Neighbour) subscribed likewise. *Harwell* lived four Months, and then died, and this Bill was exhibited to be relieved against this Policy; and this Matter being all confessed by Answer, the Court decreed the Policy to be delivered up, and the Premium to be repaid, the Plaintiffs deducting thereout their Costs.

The Court said, this Way of Insuring, was first set up for the Benefit of Trade, that when a Merchant happened to have a Loss, he might not be undone by it, the Loss by this Way being born by many; but if such ill Practices were used, it would turn to the Ruin of Trade, instead of advancing it.

*Palmer versus Garrard.*

Case 22.

**T**HE Case was, *A.* died Intestate, leaving Issue only one Child, an Infant, Administration was committed to *J. S.* during the Minority of the Infant, who died within a Month after Age, the Plaintiff took out Administration *de bonis* of *A.* the Father, and brought this Bill against the Defendant, who had taken out Administration to the Infant to have an Account of the Personal Estate of *A.*

A Person dies Intestate, leaving one Child: The whole Personal Estate belongs to him, within the Statute of Distributions.

The Defendant pleaded the Statute for Distribution of Intestates Estates, that thereby the whole Personal Estate of *A.* became vested in the Infant, and so belonged to the Infant as his Administrator, and so he not accountable. And the only Question was, Whether the Statute did extend to this Case, there being no Persons to share the Estate, but one to have the whole.

All the Court were clear of Opinion that it did, and allowed the Plea, notwithstanding it was said that a Cause had been decreed to the Contrary in the Exchequer.

*Rives versus Rives, & al.*

Case 23.

**T**HE Case was, *G. Rives* made a Settlement of his Estate upon himself for Life, then to Trustees for 99 Years, for raising 500 *l.* apiece for his three Nieces, to be paid at their respective Ages of 21 Years, and after to the Plaintiff for Life, with Remainder to his first Son in Tail, with divers Remainders over. The Plaintiff's Bill was to be let into the Possession of the Estate, paying his proportionable Part of the 1500 *l.* that was charged upon it, 500 *l.* of which was due in present, and the rest not in several Years.

What Proportion Tenant for Life shall bear of Incumbrances on the Estate.

The Court decreed, that the Plaintiff's Estate for Life should bear 700 *l.* and the Remainders the other 800 *l.* and that he should be let into Possession, paying the 700 *l.* but if the other 800 *l.* should, according to the

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Limitations of the Trust, become payable, during the Plaintiff's Life, he was to pay it; but then the Term for 99 Years, was to be his Security to reimburse him again.

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In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 24.

*Moor versus Rycault.*

A Husband who had made no Provision on his Wife, agrees that her Fortune, which was in Trustees Hands, should be laid out in a Purchase of Lands. This Agreement, tho' after Marriage,

not to be considered as voluntary, so as to be set aside in Favour of a Creditor of the Husband.

**A** MAN steals a young Woman who had a considerable Portion, which was in Trustees Hands: After the Marriage, her Friends would not part with the Portion, unless the Husband would give Security that it should be settled for the Benefit of his Wife; and it was agreed that it should be laid out in Land, to be settled to the Husband and Wife, and the Heirs of their Bodies; and a Judgment was given by the Husband for this Purpose.

Now this Bill was exhibited by a Creditor of the Husband, for that it was after Marriage, and voluntary, and so ought not to prevent a Creditor of his Debt.

But the Court would do nothing in it, for that if the Husband himself had exhibited a Bill here against the Trustees for the Portion, the Court would not have de-

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creed it to him, without making some such Settlement; so the Bill was dismiss'd, but without Costs.

## Symonds versus Rutter.

Case 25.

THE Case was this, upon the Marriage of a Woman, 500 l. of her Portion, was put into Sir Francis Child's Hands, upon Articles to this Effect, viz. that the Money should remain in Sir Francis Hands, at Interest, to be laid out in Land, by the Consent of the Husband and Wife, and the Survivor, and the Land to be settled on the Husband and Wife, and the Heirs of their two Bodies, the Remainder to the Heirs of the Body of the Wife, Remainder to the Wife's Brother, &c. and that till a Purchase had as aforesaid, the Interest should be paid to the Husband and Wife, and the Survivor of them, and the Assigns of the Survivor. The Wife dies without Issue; then the Husband dies: The Brother and Administrator of the Wife brings this Bill to have the Money invested in Land, pursuant to the Articles.

By Marriage Articles agreed, that 500 l. the Wife's Portion, should be invested in a Purchase of Lands, to be settled on Husband and Wife for their Lives; Remainder to the Heirs of their two Bodies; Remainder to the Heirs of the Body of the Wife; Remainder to the Plaintiff, the Wife's Brother, in Fee. The Wife dies without Issue,

and then the Husband dies, the 500 l. not being laid out. *Per Trevor and Rawlinson*, This Money is not to be considered as Lands; but *per Hutchins* it is, and to go to the Person to whom the Fee is limited, and not to the Executor of the Husband.

But the Court, viz. *Trevor* and *Rawlinson* were of Opinion, that the Money should not be laid out in Land, but should go to the Administrator of the Husband, for that there was no Child nor Creditor in the Case; that they did not take it to be the primary Intent of the Articles, to have Land purchased, there being no express Agreement to purchase, but only that it might be purchased, if the Husband and Wife should elect and agree to have it so.

But *Hutchins* was of a contrary Opinion, he thought the Intent of the Parties was, that Land should be purchased, and that for the Remainder Man, the Court ought to decree it, and relied on the Case of *Annand* and *Honeywood*, *Withwick* and *Fermy*, *Attwood* and *Kettleby*, formerly adjudged in this Court.

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*Sir Robert Brooks* versus *Lady Brooks,*  
& al'.

Case 26.

Where the  
Husband may  
be Plaintiff  
against his  
Wife in E-  
quity.

**S**IR *Robert Brooks* was Plaintiff against his Lady and others, and a Motion was made to have her committed, for not answering Interrogatories, but the Court would not grant it, and declared a Man could not be Plaintiff in this Court against the Wife. On *Saturday* following this Matter was moved again, and then the Court was of Opinion, that tho' a Man could not have a Bill against his Wife for Discovery of his own Estate; yet, where before Marriage she enters into Articles concerning her own Estate, she has made herself as a separate Person from her Husband, and therefore she was ordered to answer in a Week's Time.

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1691.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Burwell* versus *Harrison*.

Case 27.

**T**HE Defendant had entred into Articles with the Plaintiff, to make him a Lease of certain Lands in the County of *Norfolk* and Isle of *Ely*, with usual Covenants; and the Plaintiff brought this Bill to have a Lease made accordingly: And the only Question was, Who should be at the Charges of Repairs? 'Twas proved in the Cause, that in *Norfolk* and the Isle of *Ely*, the Landlord did usually covenant to repair; that when Lands there were lett without Lease, the Landlord did use to repair; that when the Defendant did last lett Part of the Lands in Question, without Lease, he was at the Charge of all Repairs. Defendant pretended that the Lands were of a considerable better Value than the Rent reserved, which was so small, in regard it was intended the Plaintiff should repair: But no such Agreement or mutual Intention was proved.

The Court were of Opinion, that the Words *Usual Covenants* shall be intended *usual* all over *England*, and that the Lessee being Plaintiff here to have a Lease, should be obliged to repair, notwithstanding the contrary Usage in *Norfolk*, but that the Case might have had

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A. articles with B. to make him a Lease with usual Covenants. B. brings a Bill to have the Lease made, he shall be at the Charges of the Repairs, tho' usual in that County for the Lessor to be at those Charges. *Secus* for an if A. had been Plaintiff to have enforced the taking of such Lease.



had a different Construction, if the Defendant had been Plaintiff to have enforced *Burmell* to have taken a Lease.

Case 28.

### *Offley* versus *Offley*.

One settles a House on his Daughter for Life, with Remainders over, and then by Will devises the Goods and Furniture of the House to such Persons as were to have the House after his Death. By the Settlement, the Goods and Furniture shall go according to the Devise, and shall not be under the Power of the first Taker to dispose of, nor subject to her or her Husband's Debts.

Term raised to pay 200 l. per Annum Pin-Money to the Wife, with Covenants from the Husband for Payment of it. A Year's Arrear at the Husband's Death held such a Debt as should be charged on his Trust Estate settled for Payment of his Debts.

**T**HIS Cause came on amicably, and the Questions proposed were, 1<sup>st</sup>, *John Crew* owner of *Crew Hall*, had settled the said House by Deed executed in his Life, so that after his Death it would go to his Daughter for her Life, with several Remainders over; and by Will devised all the Goods, Furniture and Ornaments in *Crew Hall*, to such Persons as the said House was to go to after his Death, by Virtue of that Settlement. The Daughter marries *Mr. Offley*, who dies, not leaving Personal Estate sufficient to pay his Debts; and the Question was, Whether by this Devise, the Daughter had the absolute Property in the Goods at *Crew Hall*? for if she had, then by the Intermarriage they became *Mr. Offley's*, and would be liable to the Payment of his Debts: But the Court were of Opinion, that she should have but such an Interest in the Goods as she had in the House, viz. the Use of them for her Life, and that Nobody should have an absolute Property in them but he that had an absolute Property in the House, by the apparent Intent of the Devisor.

The 2<sup>d</sup>, Doubt was on the Marriage of *Mrs. Offley* with her Husband; there was a Term created for raising 200 l. per Annum for her Pin-Money, which Money had been constantly paid to her by her Husband's Steward, except only the last Year before his Death, which was in Arrear; and in the Settlement was a Covenant on the Part of the Husband for the Payment of it: And the Court were of Opinion, that this being an Arrear only for one Year, and there being a Covenant for the Payment of it, should be such a Debt as should be charged on his Trust Estate. *Secus* if it had been in Arrear for many Years.

3<sup>dly</sup>, Whether Mrs. *Offley* should have her Jewels and Chamber Plate, as her Paraphernalia? 'Twas said that the Jewels and Plate had been bought with her own Pin-Money, and that the Value of them altogether did not amount to above 500*l*. So the Court decreed them, being of so small Value, in Respect of her Husband's Estate.

Jewels and Chamber Plate bought out of Pin-Money, allowed the Wife as her Paraphernalia.

4<sup>thly</sup>, There had been 600*l*. laid out in Mr. *Offley*'s Funeral, which the Court decreed should be a Debt to affect the Trust Estate, Mr. *Offley* being a Man of a great Estate and Reputation in his Country, and being buried there; but if he had been buried elsewhere, it seemed his Funeral might have been more private, and the Court would not have allowed so much.

600*l*. allowed for Funerals, in Respect of the Testator's Quality, and being buried in his own Country.

5<sup>thly</sup>, In Mr. *Offley*'s Marriage Settlement there was a Term for raising 10,000*l*. for a Daughter, but it was so short that the ordinary Profits of the Land would not raise above half the Sum; but there was a Coal Mine in the Land, which was open at Mr. *Offley*'s Death, which the Court ordered should be wrought, and the Trustees to have Power to make *Soughs* and *Drains* in any other the Lands of the Heir, as Need should require, so as it were done in an orderly Manner, so that the Money might be raised. And my Lord Commissioner *Hutchins* said, that in such Case where the usual Profits of the Land will not raise the Money appointed within the Time, this Court may order Timber to be felled off the Land to make it up.

Where the ordinary Profits of a Term are not sufficient to raise a Portion, Timber may be felled, or a Mine worked for it against the Heir.

### *Sadd* versus *Carter*.

Case 29.

**L**ANDS were devised to the Defendant *Carter* and his Wife for their Lives, and after their Decease to such of their Children as should be living at the Death of the Survivor of them, and to their Heirs, equally to be divided between them, he the said *Carter* paying 40*l*. to the Plaintiff, &c. at a certain Time.

Devise of Lands to A. for Life, Remainder to such Child or Children as should be living at his Death, and to their Heirs, The A. paying 40*l*. to B.

This is a Charge not only on A.'s Estate for Life, but also on the Remainder.



The Court decreed the Land to be sold for Payment of the Money, and then the Defendants to have such a Proportion of the Overplus of the Purchase-Money as was answerable to their Interest for Life in the Land; for the Money devised is a Charge upon all the Estates.

Case 30.

*Maw versus Harding.*

The Son of a dead Uncle not intitled to a Distribution with a living Uncle.

**A** Man dies intestate, leaving an Uncle and Uncle's Son, and the only Question was, Whether the Son of the deceased Uncle should come in for a Distribution with the living Uncle, by the Statute of Distributions: And all the Court were of Opinion that he should not.

Case 31.

*Freeman versus Freeman.*

**A** Man enters into Bond, that his Son, who was Tenant in Tail, shall not alien, and dies; the Son suffers a Common Recovery, and thereupon the Bond being put in Suit, the Bill was brought for Relief, but was dismiss'd with Costs.

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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Cass versus Waterhouse.*Case 32.  
26 October.

**T**HE Case was, *Waterhouse* the Defendant was possessed of several Houses as Executrix to her Husband, for several Terms of Years, and which were in Mortgage at the Time of his Death; and there were likewise two other Houses which the Husband had purchased for Years in his own and his Wife's Names, which were not in Mortgage at his Death; after the Death of the Husband, the Defendant his Executrix gave out Particulars, wherein are contain'd, as well the Houses not in Mortgage, as those that were in Mortgage, in order to sell them, and were shown the Plaintiff *Cass*, who had been much intrusted and advised with in all concerns of the Family.

A particular Writing for the Purchase of an Estate, no Writing within the Statute of *Frauds*, unless the Party purchased by it, or that it was shown him at the Time of Purchase; so that if that contains more than the Words of the Conveyance will in strictness carry, the Particular.

the Purchaser cannot compel a specific Execution of the Residue on

Other Purchasers not bidding enough, *Cass* himself, who was a Creditor of the Husband, comes to an Agreement with the Defendant for the Purchase of all the Houses, and it was pretty evident in the Case, that all the Houses were taken by Plaintiff and Defendant to have been in Mortgage; and that the Defendant was not apprised that she had any Title to any of them in her own Right, and

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upon the Plaintiff's Agreement there was a Conveyance executed of the Houses, but by the Words of it, it was restrained to such as were in Mortgage.

Afterwards, the Defendant being advised, that the Houses which were purchased in her Husband's Name and hers, came to her by Survivorship, and were not liable to his Debts; and that not being in Mortgage, they were not conveyed to the Plaintiff, she refused to let him have them, tho' it appeared in the Cause she had often said she had sold them, as well as the rest, to the Plaintiff, and he had paid the Taxes for them; so this Bill was brought to have the Houses conveyed, and to have a farther Assurance of the others according to a Covenant.

But the Bill was dismissed, as to all but the making farther Assurance; for tho' the Court seemed satisfied, that the Defendant had covenanted to convey all to the Plaintiff, and thought she had so done, yet there being no Agreement in Writing, as to the two Houses not comprised in the Conveyance, the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries* stood so full in their Way, that they could not decree the conveying of them; for tho' the particular were in Writing, and these two Houses mentioned in it, as well as the others; and tho' it was proved, that that particular was shewed to the Plaintiff, yet it was not proved to have been shewn to him on his Purchase, nor that he purchased by it.

### *Bentham versus Haincourt.*

Cafe 33.

27 October.

A. Mortgages to B. and after to C. then B. enters, and after suffers A. the Mortgagor to receive the Profits for several Years, without requiring Interest. This

Interest shall not be charged on the Lands to keep out C.

IT was held by the Court in this Case, that if a Mortgagee after Notice of a Subsequent Mortgage joins with the Mortgagor in Sale of the Lands to a Stranger, the Money received by either for the Purchase, shall sink so much of the Purchase Money: And in this Case the Mortgagor being Son-in-Law to the Mortgagee, and he having entered, and afterwards suffered the Mortgagor to

to take the Profits for several Years, without requiring Interest.

The Court held, that the Lands in the Hands of the second Mortgagee should not be charged with any Interest for that Time, that is, that the Interest of the first Mortgagee should not affect the Lands, so as to keep out the second Mortgagee longer than he would have him, if the Interest had been duly paid.

*Coningham versus Mellish.*

Case 34.

28 October.

**J.** S. by Will devised thus. *I give and bequeath unto my Cozen Thomas Mellish all that my Messuage, called the Star in Chichester, to have and to hold, to him, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, in Trust, to be sold for the Payment of all my Debts and Legacies within a Year after my Death, and makes Thomas Mellish his Executor. The Plaintiff was Cousin and Heir to the Devisor, and sought by this Bill to make the Surplus after Debts paid a Trust for him.*

Devise of Lands to his Cousin A. and his Heirs, in Trust, to be sold for Payment of his Debts and Legacies, and makes A. Executor, The Surplus after Debts and Legacies no resulting

Trust for the Heir, as it would have been on a like Case, on a Conveyance executed.

*Rawlinson and Hutchins* being only in Court, the latter held clearly, it was no resulting Trust, the former doubted.

Afterwards, *Friday* the 30th Instant, the Case was again debated; the Argument to make it a resulting Trust was, that upon a Conveyance executed, it would have been so, and there could be no Reason why, being by Will should alter the Case.

The Argument against it was, that 'tis plain the Testator had a Regard and Kindness for *Thomas Mellish*, his Cousin (as he calls him, in his Will) who was as near of Kin to him as the Plaintiff, that is, his Heir; but if the Surplus of the Land shall be construed to result to the Heir, the Consequence would be, that *Thomas Mellish* the Executor should have nothing but his Labour for his Pains; for if there be a resulting Trust for the Heir, the Personal Estate must, by the Rules of this Court, be

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in the first Place applied towards Payment of the Debts in Ease of the Lands, and so *Thomas Mellish* would not have any Thing, either as Executor or Devisee.

Wherefore the said two Commissioners held it no resulting Trust, but decreed the Heir to join in Sale of the Land.

Cafe 35.

*Vernon versus Jones.*

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One by Will  
devises Lands  
to Trustees in  
Trust to pay  
200 l. per  
Ann. Rent-  
Charge to his  
Wife for Life,  
for her Jointure, and o-  
ther Legacies  
and Charges  
thereout.  
After which  
he and his  
Wife join in  
a Mortgage  
for raising  
8000 l. and  
Levy a Fine  
accordingly,  
and he exe-  
cutes a Deed of  
Trust to sell  
for Payment  
of Debts, and  
the Surplus to be to him and his Heirs; yet after his Death all this held no Revocation, but only *pro tanto*, so that the Wife allowed to come in for her 200 l. per Ann. and the other Legacies and Charges to take Place, if sufficient, if not, in Proportion.

**S**IR *Thomas Vernon* had mortgaged his Estate for Years, and then married, and afterwards made his Will, and devised all his Lands to Trustees upon Trust to sell (except his Capital Messuage, &c.) to pay certain Debts, and afterwards to raise 200 l. per Ann. Rent-Charge, out of the excepted Lands, for his Wife for Life, for her Jointure, provided she release her Dower; and also to raise certain Portions for his Daughters, and a Maintenance of 100 l. per Ann. for his eldest Son, and soon after he makes another Mortgage for 8000 l. and the Wife *Jones* in a Fine upon this Mortgage; and about the same Time he makes a Deed of Trust, whereby he conveys all his Lands to several Persons (who were Sureties for some of his Debts) in Trust to sell all or any Part for Payment of his Debts, and that afterwards the Surplus shall be to him and his Heirs.

Afterwards *Sir Thomas Vernon* dies without new Publication of his Will; and the Question was, Whether by this Mortgage Fine and Deed of Trust, subsequent to the Will, that be so revoked, or the Wife so barred, that she shall not claim the 200 l. per Ann. thereby.

It was urged for the Plaintiff, that this Mortgage and Fine subsequent to the Will, were without doubt a Revocation of it in Law, and that there was no Reason why Equity should relieve against it, and that the Deed of Trust made the Case much stronger; for whereas by

his Will he had subjected his Lands (with Exception of some Particulars) to be sold, for Payment of Debts, and made those excepted Lands a Fund to raise 200*l.* *per Ann.* for his Wife's Fortune: Now by this subsequent Deed of Trust he had subjected those excepted Lands, as well as the rest to be sold for the Purposes in that Deed, and so had destroy'd the Fund upon which the 200*l.* was by his Will to be raised for his Wife, and had declared the Surplus of all, after Debts paid, and his Trustees indemnified, to be to himself and his Heirs, and to obviate any Objection which might be made, as if the Wife's having a Right of Dower, might be a Consideration for the 200*l.* *per Ann.* given by the Will, and so she a kind of Purchaser: It was said, there was a Mortgage upon the whole Estate before the Intermarriage, and so the Wife's Title of Dower of no Consideration at all, or if it were, she had barred herself thereof, by joining in the Fine upon the second Mortgage.

On the other Side, it was said, that notwithstanding the Mortgage, which was precedent to the Marriage; yet, that being but for Years, the Wife was intitled to her Dower, and would then be intitled in Equity to redeem the Mortgage on Payment of her Proportion of the Mortgage Money; and that the 200*l.* *per Ann.* was devised to her by the Will, upon Condition, that she should extinguish her Dower, which she had done by joining in the Fine upon the second Mortgage, and shall be intended to be done in Compliance with the Direction of the Will; and therefore ought not to be turned to her Prejudice, that the subsequent Deed of Mortgage and Fine, and the Deed of Trust being all made for particular Purposes; shall not be intended a Total Revocation of the Will, but only *pro tanto*, and to serve those particular Purposes; and several Cases were cited to that Purpose, as the Case of *Hall* versus *Dench*, which was decreed at the *Rolls*, and after affirmed in Court, and was to this Purpose: A Man makes his Will, and devises

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One makes his Will, and thereby devises certain

Lands, which he afterwards Mortgages. This no total Revocation of the Will.



certain Lands, and after, mortgages them in Fee; yet held that this Mortgage shall not be a total Revocation of the Devise, but only to let in the Mortgage: And Mrs. *Danby's* Case was remembred, where she joined with her Husband in a Fine, in making a Mortgage, which afterwards did not proceed; then her Husband died, and she brought a Writ of Dower, and got Judgment by Default, and the Heir could not be relieved against it here, as he certainly would have been, if that Fine had been a Barr of her Dower in Equity, as it was at Law. Some Cases also were cited, where even at Law several Deeds and Acts shall be accounted but as one, and therefore it has been adjudged, that where a Man has a Power to revoke Uses by Deed, and he levies a Fine of the Lands, and afterwards declares the Uses by Deed, tho' this Fine of it self singly would have been an Extinguishment of the Power of Revocation; yet the Deed that comes after shall be coupled with it, and be accounted but one Act.

All the three Commissioners were of Opinion, that neither the Mortgage and Fine, nor Deed of Trust, shall be a total Revocation of the Will being made for particular Purposes; but that after Debts paid, the Widow shall have her 200 *l. per Ann.* and the younger Children their Portions, if the Estate were sufficient to pay all; and if not, to be paid in Proportion.

### Cafe 36.

13 November.

*Martin* versus *Woodgate*.

Devise of the Rents and Profits of Lands till his Son attain 21 towards Payment of Debts; and if my Son die before 21, my Debts being paid, then to A. and the Son dies before 21; yet the Rents and Profits not only till he would have attained 21, but also beyond, till the Debts be paid, shall be applied for that Purpose.

*then I Devise* to J. S. in Tail, he paying 100 l. to C. The Son dies before 21, without Issue, and the Profits to the Time the Son would attain to that Age, are not sufficient to pay all the Debts; and the Question was, Whether the Profits beyond that Time should be liable to the Debts.

*Rawlinson* and *Hutchins* (who were only in Court) held, they should; for upon the whole Will, they took it plainly to be the Intent of the Testator, that all his Debts should be paid out of his Lands: *Rawlinson* admitted, that if the Testator had only devised the Profits till his Son should be 21, towards Payment of Debts, and had gone no farther, that it should have been carried no farther, than till the Son would have attained to that Age; but *Hutchins* was of Opinion, that even in that Case the Profits should be applied to pay the Debts beyond the Age of 21, if those to that Time were not sufficient to discharge them all.

*Raw & Ux' and Eliz. Potts, Relict of Case 37.*  
*Leonard Potts versus John Potts.*

14 November.

THE Case was, *J. Potts*, Grandfather of *Leonard*, and of the Defendant, 16 *Jac.* 1. settled the Lands in Question, on his eldest Son in Tail Male, Remainder to the Heirs Male of his Body, &c. and dies; his eldest Son had Issue *Leonard* and *John*, and dies; *Leonard*, who, for ought appeared, knew nothing of this Intail, married; and on his Marriage settles these Lands on his Wife for her Jointure, and the Issue of that Marriage, without levying a Fine, or suffering a Recovery.

*A. Tenant in Tail, remainder to B. in Tail. A. not knowing of the Intail makes a Settlement on his Wife for Life for her Jointure, which B. who knew of the Intail, engrosses; and after the Death of A.*

recovered on Ejectment against his Widow; but in Chancery relieved, and a perpetual Injunction granted for this Fraud in *B.* in concealing the Intail, which if it had been disclosed, the Settlement might have been made good.

*John*, the Defendant, who knew of this old Intail, and had the Deed in his Custody, engrossed his Bother's Marriage Settlement, but never made any Discovery of the Intail.



*Leonard's* Wife dies without Issue, and he grants a Rent-Charge out of these Lands to his Brother, which was constantly paid; and afterwards marries another Wife, the now Plaintiff, and Settles the Lands on her, in the same Manner, as on his former, without Fine or Recovery.

The Defendant *John*, likewise engrosses this Settlement, but never mentions any Thing of the old Intail; because, as he confessed in his Answer, if he had spoke any Thing of it, his Brother, by a Recovery might have cut off the Remainder, and barred him.

Afterwards *Leonard* and his Brother disagreeing, *Leonard* treats a Match for his Nephew *Ram*, the Plaintiff and his Wife, and (having no Children of his own) proposes to settle this Estate upon them, but died without Issue before the Marriage took Effect, having first made his Will, and thereby devised his Lands after the Death of the Plaintiff *Elix.* to the Plaintiff *Ram*, and his Heirs. Afterwards the Marriage takes Effect, and *Ram* settles these Lands upon his Wife, and the Issue of that Marriage.

After the Death of *Leonard*, the Defendant *John* brings an Ejectment against *Elix.* and by Virtue of this Deed of Intail, Evicts her Jointure.

Whereupon She, and *Ram*, and his Wife, brought this Bill to be relieved, and the Plaintiff *Elix.* was relieved; for it appearing, that the Defendant was privy to her Marriage, and ingrossed the Settlement, and at the same Time knew of the old Intail, and did not disclose it, which if he had done, her Settlement might have been made good and firm in Law; therefore the Court decreed the Defendant to confirm her Jointure, and granted a perpetual Injunction against the Judgment in Ejectment, but could not relieve *Ram* or his Wife, because he was but a voluntary Devisee; and it did not appear that the Defendant was privy to that Marriage till after the Solemnization of it, and so not Guilty of any Fraud, as to them; and this Decree was afterwards affirmed in the House of Peers.

*Lumley versus May & al.*

Case 38.

**R**ichard May seized of Free-hold and Copy-hold Land, surrenders to the Use of his Will, and then devises to his Wife all his Goods, Chattels, and Estate whatsoever, upon Condition, that she paid his Debts and Legacies; and by the Will devised 600 *l.* to the Defendant May his eldest Son and Heir, and 400 *l.* to the Plaintiff Eliz. his Daughter, and other Legacies to other People; and the Surplus of his Estate after his Wife's Death to be equally divided between his four Children, and made his Wife Executrix, and died, leaving the Defendant, his Son, an Infant, the Wife dies before Probate of the Will.

One Devises all his Goods, Chattels, and Estate whatsoever, on Condition to pay his Debts and Legacies, these Words pass his Real Estate, he having by Will devised a considerable Legacy to his eldest Son, and other Legacies, and the Surplus of his Estate after his

Wife's Death to be equally divided between his four Children.

This Bill was brought by the Creditors and Legatees to have the Estate sold to pay them, and the Court was of Opinion, that the Words *Goods, Chattels, and Estate whatsoever*, with all the other Circumstances of the Case, and the Personal Estate falling short, would pass his Lands well enough, and decreed a Sale, and the Heir to join when he came of Age; but he being an Infant, they gave him a Day to shew Cause after he came of Age.

*Scoolding versus Green.*

Case 39.

**A** Man devises 100 *l.* to *A.* and *B.* the two Daughters of his Brother *Green*, to be paid within a Year after the Death of his Wife, viz. 50 *l.* to *A.* and 50 *l.* to *B.* if they shall both be alive at the Time of Payment; but if either of them shall die before, then the said 100 *l.* to the Survivor of the said two Daughters: One of the said Daughters died in the Life-time of the Devisor, and the only Question was, Whether the surviving

Devise of 100 *l.* to *A.* and *B.* viz. 50 *l.* to *A.* and 50 *l.* to *B.* payable at such a Time, and if either die before the Time, then the 100 *l.* to the Survivor, the whole 100 *l.* decreed to the Surv.

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vor, notwithstanding the severing Clause, which holds only in Case both live to the Time of Payment.



viving Daughter should have the whole 100 l. or only the 50 l.

*Rawlinson* and *Hutchins* were clearly of Opinion, that she should have the whole 100 l. they said, that by the first Clause of the Will it is a joint Devise to them of the 100 l. in which Case, if the Will had gone no farther, if one had died, it would have survived to the other then the *viz.* that comes after, is only a Severance of it, in Case they should both live to the Time of Payment, which they did not; and then the last Clause of the Will, if either died before the Time of Payment, is a new Substantive Devise of the whole 100 l. to the Survivor, and decreed accordingly.

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## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Fosset versus Austin.*

Case 40.

**T**ENANT in Tail suffers a Recovery to lett in a Mortgage of 500 Years, and then limits the Land to the old Uses, and makes his Will, and devises all his Lands for the Payment of his Debts.

Tenant in Tail suffers a Recovery to lett in a Mortgage of 500 Years, and then Limits

to the old Uses, and by Will devises all his Lands for Payment of Debts; the Equity of Redemption of this Mortgage held Assets to satisfy Creditors, or for a subsequent Grantee of an Annuity.

The Court thought, that the Equity of Redemption of this Mortgage should be Assets to satisfy Creditors, or a subsequent Grantee of an Annuity.

*Note,* The Redemption was limited to him, his Heirs or Assigns.

*Holmes versus Buckley.*

Case 41.

**A**NTHONY Bottely and Katharine his Wife, being seized in Right of the said Katharine, of two Pieces of Ground by Indenture, 25 Jan. 1622, did grant a Water-course to one John Howland, and his Heirs, through the said two Pieces of Ground; and by that Deed did Covenant

23 February.

Baron and Feme grant a Water-course through the Feme's Lands, with Covenants for them, their Heirs and

Assigns, to cleanse and keep it in Repair, and suffer a common Recovery to establish the Grant. This not a Personal Covenant, as to the Baron and Feme, but a Covenant which runs with the Land, and shall bind the Assignees, being made good by the Recovery.



for them, their Heirs and Assigns, from Time to Time, to cleanse the same; and that all Fines and Recoveries levied and suffered, and to be levied and suffered of the said Grounds, should be and enure for the strengthning and confirming the said Water-course, according to the said Grant, and afterwards, the 30th of the same Month, join in a Deed, declaring the Uses of the Recovery to be suffered of the said Ground; and that the same should enure to the strengthening and confirming the Water-course granted by the said Indenture of the 25th of *January*.

The Water-course, by Meise Assignments, came to the Plaintiff; and the said two Pieces of Ground to the Defendant, who built upon the same, and much heightened the Ground that lay over the Water-course, and made it much more inconvenient and chargeable to repair, and as it was alledged (and in Part proved) the building had much obstructed the said Water-course; so the Bill was, to be established in the Enjoyment of the said Water-course; and that the Defendants, and all claiming under them, might from Time to Time cleanse the same, according to the said Covenants.

It was objected for the Defendants, that the said Covenant being a Personal Covenant, and made by a Feme Covert, could in no Sort bind the Defendants; and that, tho' the Recovery had made good the Grant of the Water-course, yet that this Personal Covenant was not at all strengthned or bettered by it; and that the Plaintiff, and those under whom he claimed being sensible of it, had for 40 Years cleansed the same at their own Charges.

But the Court was of Opinion, that this was a Covenant that run with the Land, and tho' made by a Feme covered, was strengthned and made good by the Recovery, and said, tho' the Plaintiff had cleansed the same at his own Charge, whilst it was easy to be done, and of little Charge; yet since the Right was plain upon the Deed, and the cleansing made chargeable by the Building, it was reasonable the Defendants should do it, and decreed accordingly, and gave the Plaintiff his Costs.

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In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ:

*Cotton* versus *Cotton* and *Ashton*.

Case 41.

**T**HE Defendant *Cotton* in her Widowhood, lent 200*l.* being Part of the Assets of her first Husband *Gibbons* to *J. Cotton* the Plaintiff's Son, who together with the Plaintiff as his Surety, became bound to the Defendant *Ashton* (in Trust for the other Defendant *Cotton* then *Gibbons*) for the Repayment of the Money. Afterwards Mrs. *Gibbons* intermarried with the Principal Obligor, who afterwards died, and left his Wife wholly unprovided for, and this Bond being put in Suit.

*Feme Cestui que Trust* of a Bond marries Principal Obligor, and after his Death the Bond being put in Suit against the Surety, he could not be relieved in Equity, because like the Case where

Husband before Marriage joins in assigning the Woman's Personal Estate in Trust for herself, though it was a Release in Equity, as the Obligor's marrying the Obligor is a Release at Law.

The Plaintiff brought his Bill to be relieved against the Bond, for that the *Cestui que Trust* in the Bond having intermarried with the principal Obligor, that in Equity was as much a Release and Discharge of the Bond as it would have been at Law, if the Obligor herself had married the Obligor; and that the Bond being a Trust for her after Marriage, was a Trust for the Obligor her Husband, and therefore ought not now to be made Use of.

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But the Court would not relieve against the Bond, for they said that the Husband himself being one of the Obligors, and so privy to this Trust for his Wife before Marriage, makes it like the Case where a Man joins with the Woman he is about to marry, in assigning her Personal Estate in Trust for herself, in which Case he shall not have the Benefit of it; or if it should be not so taken; yet because the Husband lived with her two Years, and was Party to the Bond, and did not procure it to be delivered up and discharged, and was now dead, and had left his Wife wholly unprovided for, this Court would not hinder her of this Means of providing for herself.

*Batteley & al' versus Cook & al'.*

Case 42.  
2 Vern. 262.  
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Church-wardens having by Order of Vestry laid out several Sums for Repairs of the Church, and building two new Galleries, and having at going out of their Office their Accounts taken by Auditors, and passed and allowed by the Vestry, and an Order of Vestry for making a Rate to reimburse them, brought a Bill against the succeeding Church-wardens to enforce the making such Rate; but those Church-wardens being likewise

removed, after Examination of Witnesses and Publication passed, held a good Objection at the hearing, and that they had no Remedy but in the Spiritual Court, or against the Parishioners in particular who employed them.

**P**LAINTIFFS were late *Church-wardens* of the Parish of *St. James, in Bury, Suffolk*, and during the Time of their Office, had, by Order of the Vestry, expended several Sums of Money in repairing the Church, and erecting two new Galleries for the Use of the Parishioners, and several Sums of Money had, by Order of the Vestry been collected towards reimbursing them, and they had received more than the bare Repairs did amount to; but at their going out of their Office, their Accounts being taken by Auditors appointed by the Parish, and afterwards passed, and allowed by the Vestry, there remained due to them 130*l.* and upwards; and the Vestry made an Order, that a Rate should be made for reimbursing them that Money; and then the same Vestry chose Cook and another of the Defendants Church-wardens for the Year ensuing, who refusing to make any Rate for reimbursing the Plaintiffs, they brought this Bill against the said Church-wardens, and others of the Parishioners, to have a Rate made pursuant to the said

said Vestry Order, and to be relieved and paid the Money due to them.

After the Plaintiffs had examined their Witnesses, and before Publication, Defendant *Cook* and his Partner were removed from being Church-wardens, and new ones chosen; and this was objected to the Plaintiffs at the hearing of the Cause.

*Hutchins* thought it a material Objection; but it was answered for the Plaintiffs, that there could never be any Remedy against a Parish in any Case, for they would be sure either to remove the old Church-Wardens and chuse new ones, or delay the Cause till their Time was out.

*Trevor* said the change of the Church-wardens would be no Objection, if the Nature of the Case were such as the Court could give Relief in; but the Plaintiffs having received as much and more than had been laid out in Repairs, as to what remained due to them for the Galleries, the Court said they would give them no Relief, but they must take their Remedy against such particular Parishioners as had employed them, or else in the Spiritual Court. Yet a Precedent was cited between *Birch and Barston, & al*, Church-wardens of *Lambeth* Parish, *Trin. 2 William and Mary*, in this Court, where the Court decreed the Plaintiff, who was late Church-warden there, to be paid the Money he had laid out for the Use of the Parish, with Costs, and then the Decree goes on and says, for which Purpose the Vestry of the said Parish are to take Notice hereof (*viz.* of the Decree) and set a Rate accordingly; and what the Church-wardens shall pay in Obedience to this Decree, the same is to be brought into their Accounts, and to be allowed them when they pass their Accounts with the Parish.

*Note*; There are the like Words in a former Decree of *February, 36 Car. 2. James and Rich & al*, which Decree is recited in the Decree of *2 W. and M.* and was read at the hearing of the Case.

*James*



Case 43.

*James versus Hailes.*

An Estate in Mortgage is settled on *A.* for Life; Remainder to *B.* Fee Tenant for Life

**I**F an Estate in Mortgage be settled on *A.* for Life, and then on *B.* in Tail, or in Fee; Tenant for Life shall bear two Fifths of the Principal and Interest, and the remainder Man three Fifths.

Fifths of the Principal and Interest, and the Remainder Man three Fifths.

Case 44.

*Herbert versus Herbert.*

A Feme Covert who has Pin-Money, or a separate Maintenance settled on her, may by Writing, in Nature of Will, dispose of what she saves out of it; and such Disposition shall bind the Husband.

**I**N this Case there were several Questions concerning a Woman's Pin-Money, or separate Provision; but the Court ordered an Account to be taken, and reserved their Judgment till after the Account taken.

*Note;* *Hutchins* cited Sir *Paul Neal's* Case, wherein he said it was decreed, that if a Woman has Pin-Money, or a separate Maintenance settled on her, and she by Management or good Housewifry saves Money out of it, she may dispose of such Money so saved by her, or of any Jewels, &c. bought with it, by Writing in Nature of a Will, if she die before her Husband, and shall have it her self, if she survive him, and such Money, Jewels, &c. shall not be liable to the Husband's Debts.

Case 54.

*Seymour versus Fotherby.*

A Term in Trust to raise any Sum not exceeding the 1500*l.* for Payment of Debts, he should owe at his Death, and after borrows 1000*l.* and appoints Trustees to pay that 1000*l.* and dies indebted to several others, yet the 1000*l.* to take Place according to the Appointment, and not to be divided amongst all the Creditors.

**A** Man makes a Settlement of an Estate on himself in Tail, and if he die without Issue, then to Trustees for a Term for Years, upon Trust, to raise any Sum not exceeding 1500*l.* for Payment of his proper Debts, which he should owe at his Death. Afterwards he borrows 1000*l.* of *J. S.* and by Deed appoints his Trustees to pay that 1000*l.* out of the Trust Estate, and dies without Issue, indebted to several other Persons; so that the 1500*l.* would not be sufficient

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to pay all; and the only Question was, Whether the 1000 l. thus appointed to be paid, should be paid in the first Place, or in Proportion with the rest of the Creditors.

The Court decreed the 1000 l. should be paid in the first Place.

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Term. S. Trinitatis,

1692.

IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Graham versus Stamper.*

Case 46.

**T**HE Plaintiff *Graham* was Privy Purse to King *James* the Second, and also Master of his *Buck Hounds*; the Defendant was a *Laceman*, and by his Friends made Interest to the Plaintiff, that he may be made Use of to furnish Lace, &c. for the King's Hunt, &c. and was employed accordingly: And *Graham* did likewise deal with him on his own private Account; and he was from Time to Time paid for what he furnished for the King's Liveries out of the Privy Purse; but on King *James's* going away, the Defendant brought *Indebitatus Assumpsit* against

A Servant be-  
speaks Things  
for his Master;  
and also for  
himself of  
the same  
Tradesman,  
how far he  
shall be liable  
for the Goods  
of his Ma-  
ster.

A Servant to  
King *James* i.  
relieved a  
Judg-  
ment at Law  
for Lace, &c.  
delivered for  
the King's

Use, just before his Abdication, on the Circumstances of the Case, whereby it appeared the Defendant never took the Plaintiff in his own Person to be liable, but had always been paid out of the Privy Purse.



against *Graham*, as well for what he had furnish'd for the King's Use, as for what he had furnished for *Graham's* own particular Use, and recovered for both.

This Bill was brought, to be relieved against that Judgment: The Court went on these Circumstances in the Case, that *Stamper* had been permitted to furnish Lace and Fringes, &c. for the King, on his own Desire and Application made to *Graham* on his Behalf; that the Entries in the Day-Books of such Goods as were delivered for the King's Use, were without Price; that they may be added in the Leidger-Book higher or lower, as they had a Prospect of sooner or later Payment; that the Defendant had from Time to Time been paid out of the Privy Purse, and one Witness had sworn that the Defendant had said that he expected Payment from the Privy Purse, and not elsewhere.

That the Account of the Goods delivered to the King's Use, had been paid off to about ten Months; but the Account delivered on *Graham's* private Score was of four Years Continuance, which shews *Stamper* kept them as distinct Accounts.

That none of the Goods delivered for the King's Use came to *Graham*, nor was there any particular Promise of his to pay for any of them; and therefore, if the Law should be, that he who speaks for or fetches Goods for his Master, without any particular Promise of paying for them, is liable to pay for them (which they seemed to doubt) yet on the particular Circumstances of this Case, it would be fit to consider how far Use should be made of this Judgment.

As to the Objection; that the Damages at Law being intire, could not be severed and apportioned by this Court; the Court answered, that the Defendant had already done that by his Answer, and the Schedule annexed to it, having therein set forth how much *Graham's* own proper Debt was, and how much for Goods delivered for the King; and in doubtful Cases it is most prudent

dent to try their Fortunes at Law, before they come in-  
to this Court, and that therefore the Proceedings that  
have been at Law ought not to be objected; for if this  
Court cannot relieve after Judgment at Law, it cannot  
correct the Rigour of the Law at all, for till Judgment  
it may be very doubtful what the Law is.

*Trevor* said, it was a Case of great Consequence, but  
of very little Doubt; but because of the great Noise  
and Discourse that had been made about it, they ordered  
a Master to state it on the Books, Answers, Proofs and  
Pleadings; and then the Court would direct for how  
much Execution should be taken out.

*Dickinson* versus *Molineux*.

Case 57.

**T**HE Plaintiff's Testatrix was indebted to several  
Persons by several Bonds, &c. and to the Defen-  
dant by simple Contract; and Judgment is recovered a-  
gainst the Plaintiff upon one of the Bonds, the Defen-  
dant being one of the King's Receivers, and bound with  
Sureties to the King, to answer what he should receive;  
takes out an Extent in Aid against himself, and has this  
simple Contract Debt found, and takes out a *Scire Facias*  
against the Plaintiff, and has Judgment thereupon in  
the Exchequer.

By an Extent  
in Aid, taken  
out by a sim-  
ple Contract,  
Creditor a-  
gainst him-  
self, and the  
Debt found,  
he preferred  
himself to  
Bond-Credi-  
tors who had  
recovered  
Judgment  
against the  
Executor,  
the Executor  
not relievable

in Equity. *Sed Quare.*

Whereupon the Plaintiff brought his Bill here to be  
relieved, suggesting that these Proceedings were fraudu-  
lent, and on purpose to interrupt the legal Course of Ad-  
ministration, and to defraud the rest of the Creditors  
(for there were no further Assets) that had Debts of a  
higher Nature, and to make him pay what had been  
recovered by them against him out of his own Pocket;  
that this Extent was not prosecuted by the King, but by  
the Defendant himself, and at his Charges; and that he

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was not really indebted to the King at the Time of the Extent (tho' the Bond were kept on Foot) or that if he were, he or his Sureties were able to pay the King's Debt, and so that not in Danger.

The Defendant pleaded these Proceedings in the Exchequer in barr to the Plaintiff's Relief, but by his Answer confesseth that he had prosecuted the Extent at his own Charges, and that he was able to pay the King at the Time of the Extent.

The Court allowed the Plea, and would not relieve the Plaintiff; and yet not long before they had relieved Alderman *Sturt* in Case of such an Extent. *Qu.* Wherein this Case differs from that, further than that there the Creditors were Plaintiffs, here the Executor.

The Plaintiff's Plea is, that he is indebted to the King at the Time of the Extent, and that he is not able to pay the King's Debt, and so that not in Danger. The Defendant's Plea is, that he has paid the King's Debt, and so that not in Danger. The Court allowed the Plea, and would not relieve the Plaintiff; and yet not long before they had relieved Alderman *Sturt* in Case of such an Extent. *Qu.* Wherein this Case differs from that, further than that there the Creditors were Plaintiffs, here the Executor.

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In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Gibbs versus Herring.*

**A.** In his Life-time intrusts J. S. with several Moneys of his to dispose of at Interest; then A. dies, Part of the Money remaining in the Hands of J. S. undisposed of: The Executrix of A. desires J. S. to put it out at Interest, who does so, and the Security proves defective.

trusts J. S. to put it out at Interest for her, which he does, and the Security proves defective, she shall not answer the Loss to the other Legatees or Sharers.

The Executrix shall not make it good to the Plaintiffs, who were to have a Share of the Estate, by the Custom of the Province of York, but against a Creditor she should. So it is of Goods sold *bona fide* to a Person who became insolvent before all the Money paid.

*Note*; She herself was intitled to a Share of the Estate as well as the Plaintiffs.

Walker



Case 49.

*Walker versus Penrin.*

Mortgagee  
having re-  
ceived 8 per  
Cent. decreed  
to account for  
the 2 per Cent.  
over Value  
to sink the  
Principal;  
but if Prin-  
cipal and Interest had been overpaid at that Rate no refunding.

**I**N this Case it was decreed, that a Mortgagee having received 8 l. per Cent. since the Year 1660, should account for the 2 l. per Cent. over Value, to sink the Principal Mortgage Money; but if the Principal and Interest were over paid, the Parties must shake Hands, for there shall be no refunding.

Case 50.

*Strode versus Gibbs.*

Freeman of  
London gives  
Bond to his  
Mother, to  
be paid after  
his Death,  
this shall go  
out of the whole  
Estate, and not out of his customary Part only.

**I**F a Freeman of London gives Bond to his Mother to be paid after his Death, this shall go out of the whole Estate, and not out of his own customary Part only.

Case 51.

*Hale versus Hale.*

A. conveys a  
Term for  
Years in  
Trust, to raise  
1500 l. for  
such Child or  
Children as  
should be  
living at his  
Death. A Posthumous Child held a Child living at his Death, to take within the Meaning of that Trust, which was not to be construed so strictly as a Limitation at Law.

**A.** Conveys a Term for Years to J. S. upon Trust, to raise 1500 l. for such Child or Children of A. as should be living at the Time of his Death; A. dies, leaving no Child, his Wife *enscent* with a Daughter, which was afterwards born.

My Lord Keeper declared that this Posthumous Daughter is a Child living, at the Death of A. within the Mean of the Trust, and that a Direction of a Trust is not to be so strictly construed, as a Limitation of an Estate at Law. And one *Lutterel's Case* was cited in my Lord *Bridgman's Time*, where a Bill was exhibited on Behalf of an Infant in *Ventre sa mere* to stay Waste, and an Injunction granted upon it.

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1695.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

### Harrison versus Forth.

Case 31.

**T**HE Master of the Rolls was of Opinion in this Case, that if *A.* purchases an Estate, with Notice of an Incumbrance, or that it is redeemable, and then sells it to *B.* who has no Notice; who afterwards sells it to *C.* who has Notice; that by this, the first Notice to *A.* the first Purchaser, is thereby revived, and that *C.* the last Purchaser shall be liable to the Incumbrance or Redemption, as if it had never been in the Hands of one who had no Notice.

*A.* sells to *B.* who has Notice of an Incumbrance on the Estate; *B.* sells to *C.* who has no Notice, and he to *D.* who has Notice, whether this revives the first Notice to *B.*

Afterwards, on Appeal to my Lord Keeper, it being urged, that in such Case an innocent Purchaser without Notice may be forced to keep his Estate, and cannot sell it, and shall be accountable for all the Profits received *ab initio*, his Lordship held, that tho' *A.* and *C.* had Notice, yet if *B.* had no Notice, the Plaintiff could not be relieved against the Defendant *C.* and ordered *C.* to be examined on Interrogatories, if he ever saw the Conveyance from the Plaintiff to her Sisters, and then to be tried if the Defendant *C.* paid any, and what Consideration for the said Lands; and if *B.* had Notice at the

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Time of his Purchase that it was redeemable; for if he had not, the Plaintiff could not be relieved, though A. and C. had Notice.

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2 Vern. 319.  
S. C.

A. indebted to B. 300*l.* in Consideration of a Settlement on him by A. after his Death, gives Bond to C. in Trust for A. to pay 500*l.* as A. should by Will direct. A. directs the 500*l.* to be paid to C. and makes him Executor on his suing this Bond, and a Bill brought by B. This 500*l.* held Assets in B.'s

### *Thompson versus Towne.*

**W**ILLIAM THOMPSON, seised of the Manor of Boothby, in Com. Lincoln, of about 200*l.* per Ann. (which was charged with a Rent-Charge of 120*l.* per Ann. for Life) and being old and not married in November 1687, settled the said Manor on himself for Life, and after on the Plaintiff *Anthony Thompson* (who was his near Kinsman) and his Heirs: And the Plaintiff as the Consideration of the said Settlement, did at the same Time give a Bond to the Defendant, by *William Thompson's* Direction, and in Trust for him, of 1000*l.* Penalty, conditioned to pay any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 500*l.* to such Person or Persons, and in such Manner as the said *William Thompson* should by his last Will devise and appoint.

Assets in B.'s Hands to pay what was due to him.

*William Thompson* was at the Time of making this Settlement, and giving this Bond, indebted to the Plaintiff in 300*l.* by Bond, and did afterwards become indebted to him in several other Sums of Money, to 70*l.* and upwards.

In the Year 1689, *William Thompson* makes his Will, and reciting the said Bond to the Defendant in Trust for him, devises the 500*l.* secured thereby to the said Defendant the Obligee, and makes him Executor, and directs him to pay 50*l.* to one *William Disney* to bind him an Apprentice, and 50*l.* more to set him up, and 20*l.* per Ann. to one *Anne Perkins* for Life, and in 1692 dies.

Defendant puts the said Bond in Suit against the Plaintiff, who brought this Bill to subject this Money to be Assets in his Hands to pay the 300*l.* and 70*l.* due to him from the Testator.

The Defendant by Answer insisted, that the Consideration of *William Thompson's* making the said Settlement was, that he might have 500*l.* to dispose of, and that he would not else have made the Settlement, and therefore the said 500*l.* ought not to be Assets, especially to answer the Plaintiff's Debts; and at the hearing of the Cause the Defendant pretended he had proved that the Plaintiff and *William Thompson* had agreed at making the said Settlement, that the Plaintiff's Bond should be delivered up; but these Depositions were opposed, and could not be read, because that Matter was not put in Issue by the Defendant's Answer, and the Proofs did amount to no more than that *William Thompson* himself had said, that he intended that Bond should be delivered up.

My Lord Keeper directed it to be tried at Law, whether it were agreed that the said Bond of 300*l.* should be delivered up or sunk; and that Issue was tried for the Plaintiff, viz. that it was not agreed, &c.

The Cause coming after to be heard on the Equity reserved; the Keeper decreed the said 500*l.* to be Assets to pay the Plaintiff's Debt, and that it should go to a Master to compute what due to him, and he to retain so much as to satisfy himself, and to pay the Overplus to the Defendant. And on Appeal to the House of Lords, this Decree was affirmed.

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## Term. S. Trinitatis,

1695.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 53.

*Walsb* versus *Walsb*.

*A.* has three Brothers, one dies, leaving two Children, another three, and the third five; then *A.* dies intestate, the Distribution shall be *per Capita*, and not *per Stirpes*, being all next of Kin in equal Degree.

*A.* has three Brothers, one dies, leaving three Children, another two, and the third five, then *A.* dies intestate; and *per Lord Keeper*, on Time taken to consider of this Case, Distribution shall be *per Capita* and not *per Stirpes*; and that all the Children should have equal, because none take by way of Representation, but all as next of Kin in equal Degree.

Case 54.

*Starling* & al', versus *Ettrick* & al'.

Where a Person may take by the Name of Heir, tho' not Heir General.

**S**IR Samuel Starling, 4 January 1672, conveyed the Manor of S. &c. to two Trustees and their Heirs, upon Trust and Confidence that they and their Heirs should convey the Premises, and every or any Part thereof to such Person, and for such Time, Term and Estate as he the said Sir Samuel by any Writing under his Hand and Seal, in the Presence of two or more credible

Witnesses,

Witnesses, or by his last Will and Testament in Writing, should direct, limit or appoint; and for want of such Appointment to the right Heirs of the said Sir Samuel for ever; and after, by Will dated in August 1673, Sir Samuel devises several Messuages to charitable Uses, and devises to the Plaintiff Samuel Starling the elder, his Nephew, some Houses in St. Sepulchre's, but he was only to have 50*l.* per Annum out of them till his Age of 24, and 100*l.* to bind him an Apprentice; and if the Plaintiff Samuel the elder should die before his Age of 24, that then the Trustees should convey the said Houses to the right Heirs Male of Sir Samuel; and for Default of such Heirs Male to the right Heirs of Sir Samuel for ever; and did appoint that the said Trustees and their Heirs should within six Months after Lady-day 1695, convey the Manor of D. G. to his Nephew Richard Starling (who was his Heir at Law) if he should be then living, for Term of his Life only; or, if he should be dead, for his Heirs Male, to hold to him and his Heirs Male for ever; and for Want of such Issue to his own right Heirs for ever.

Soon after, Sir Samuel died, leaving his Nephew Richard his Heir; Richard had Issue Jane (married to the Defendant Ettrick) and died; and it was laid in the Bill, that Sir Samuel had great Displeasure against his Nephew Richard, by Reason of his Extravagancy and bad Courtes, and therefore had left him no Estate till he should be 40 Years old, and then only for Life; and had often declared, that he would settle his Estate so, that if Richard died, his Nephew Samuel Starling should have it; and after this Settlement and Will, had told several Persons, that he had so settled it, and the Plaintiffs (who were Samuel Starling the Elder, and Samuel his Son) insisted, that either Samuel the Elder is intitled as right Heir Male of Sir Samuel, or else Samuel the Younger, as Heir Male of Samuel the Elder.

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To this Bill the Defendants demurred, for that it appeared of the Plaintiff's own shewing in their Bill, that they had no Title.

On arguing the Demurrer, it was over-ruled, and Defendants ordered to Answer; but the Plaintiffs were not to examine to any Parol Discourses of Sir *Samuel Starling*, how he intended to settle, or had settled his Estate, without special Leave of the Court.

Afterwards the Plaintiffs moved the Court, that they might have Leave to examine to such Discourses and Declarations of Sir *Samuel*, and insisted, that such Examination had been in the Case of the Countess of *Gainsborough*, and Earl of *Gainsborough*, and of *Crompton* and *North*, and several other Cases; and the Parties had been relieved upon such Examinations for the expounding and explaining Wills; and if the Plaintiff could mend his Case by such Examination, then to prevent him of them, would be to debarr him of his Right; but on the other Side, if upon the Hearing, the Examination should appear impertinent, the Court could recompence the Defendant in Costs.

For the Defendant, it was insisted, that it would be of fatal Consequence to admit Examinations of this Kind, to carry Estates, contrary to the Words of a Will, and what by Law they do import, and my Lord Keeper inclined that Way, and denied to admit the Plaintiffs to examine to those Matters.

Afterward the Case was argued at *Powis House*, and the Substance of what was insisted upon by the Plaintiff's Council, was, that this being in the Case of Trust, and a Will ought to have the most favourable Construction the Court can give it; and it is very plain, what Sir *Samuel* intended, viz. that his Estate should be continued in the Name, and go the Males of the Family; and this is not a Limitation of an Estate, but a Direction to the Trustees to make a Conveyance; that the Word *Heir* is in many Cases, even in Legal Writs, &c. taken for Heir

Apparent, as the Father may have a Writ, *Quare Fil' & Hered. cepit*, &c. which must be his Heir Apparent; and in the Case of *Burchet* versus *Durdant*, where Lands were devised to the Heirs of *J. S.* now living; it was held, that the eldest Son of *J. S.* should take, tho' in strictness of Speech, he was not Heir during the Life of his Father, but Heir Apparent only.

On the other Side, it was argued, that if this had been a Devise of the legal Estate itself, it is plain, that neither of the Plaintiffs could have taken any Thing by it; for it is a known Rule in Law, that whoever will take as a Purchaser by the Name of Heir-Male, must be in the strictest Sense Heir as well as Male, or else he cannot take at all; and in the Case of *Burchet* and *Durdant* the Words *now Living* altered the Case, and made it a Description of the Person, and without these Words, the Heir Apparent could not have taken, and it would introduce great Inconveniencies, if legal Inheritances, and equitable Inheritances should not be governed by the same Rule; and the Conveyance being to be made within six Months after *Lady-Day* 1685; if he is not a Person capable to take at that Time, he can never take at all, and the Will cannot, by any Proofs, have any Sense and Meaning put upon it, other or different from what it would have had without these Proofs, for all the Will must be in Writing.

My Lord *Keeper* dismiss'd the Bill, and decreed the Trustees to convey to the Defendants, according to the Will of Sir *Samuel Starling*, they having a Cross Bill for that Purpose.



## Case 55.

*Parker versus Blythmore.*

In Court before the Master of the Rolls. If Plaintiff replies to Defendant's Plea, he thereby admits the Plea to be good, if it be true, and the Validity of the Plea can never after be considered, but only the Truth of it, as he proves it, or the Plaintiff disproves it.

**T**HE Plaintiff had a legal Title, but the Deed by which he claimed was lost, and he brought this Bill to set it up, the Defendant answered as to part, and pleaded himself a Purchaser for a valuable Consideration, without Notice, &c. The Plaintiff replies to the Plea, and the Defendant proves his Plea, and the Plaintiff proved no Notice upon him; and when the Cause came to be heard, the *Master of the Rolls* was of Opinion, that the Plea was good; but the Question was, Whether the Court could now consider of that at all, the Plaintiff having admitted the Plea to be good, by replying to it, and nothing being now in Question, but whether it be true or not; and if it should not be so, no Plaintiff would ever set down any Plea to be argued, but would reply, and put the Defendant to the Charge of Examining, and then contest the Validity of the Plea at the Hearing; and besides, the Defendant would be prevented from making such other Defence as he might, by relying in his Plea.

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1695.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Attorney-General, at the Relation of the Case 56.  
Inhabitants of *Stains*, versus *Taylor*.

**I**N this Case the Plaintiff would have read in Evidence an Exemplification of part of a Patent, which was objected to by the Defendant, for that nothing but the Patent itself, or an Exemplification or Copy of the whole could by Law be Evidence. Plaintiff's Council insisted, that by the 3d and 4th of *Edward 6. Cap. 4.* and 13 *Elix. Cap. 6.* an Exemplification of so much of a Patent as relates to the Matter in Question, is to all Purposes of Law made of the same Force, as if the whole Patent were exemplified, whereupon the Statutes were ordered to be read.

Exemplification of part of a Patent not suffered to be read in Evidence, notwithstanding the Statutes of 3 and 4 of *Edward 6.* and 13 *Elix.* where the other Side have no Time to consult the Patent-Roll, and so may

be surprized by an imperfect Exemplification.

My Lord *Keeper* was clearly of Opinion, that tho' by those Statutes an Exemplification of part of a Patent be made sufficient to make a Title under, or to be pleaded in any Court where the other Side will have Time to resort to the Patent, and to be advised, whether the Exemplification be of all that is material; and if it



be not, they may take Advantage of it; yet they did not extend to authorize the giving such Exemplifications in Evidence, where the other Side could have no Time to consult the Patent Roll, and might be surprized and lose his Right by an imperfect Exemplification; and cited a Case, wherein he had known it so held in B. R. on offering such an Exemplification in Evidence; and therefore, if the Plaintiffs insisted upon it being of great Consequence, he would have the Opinion of all the Judges, before he would admit of it; whereupon the Plaintiffs waved it, and produced the Patent Roll itself, and so the Cause went on.

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Term. S. Trinitatis,

1696.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Meynell versus Howard.*

Case 56.

**A** Man makes a Mortgage redeemable upon Payment of Money, but there is no Covenant for Payment of the Money in the Deed; then the Mortgagor makes his Will, and devises his Personal Estate amongst his Relations; and the Question was, Whether the Money on this Mortgage be such a Debt, as that the Personal Estate shall be applied towards the Discharge of it? It was said, that Sir *Edward Moor* had made such a Mortgage, and afterwards raised a Term in other Lands for Payment of his Debts; and the Mortgage Money was held to be a Debt payable out of that Trust.

Heir of the Mortgagor shall have the Personal Estate applied, in the first Place, to pay off the Mortgage Money, tho' no Covenant in the Mortgage Deed for Payment of it, tho' the Personal Estate is devised away by the

Mortgagor to his Relations, because 'tis a Debt.

*Cur.* So it is here, and the Personal Estate must discharge it.

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## Termino S. Mich.

1696.

IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 57.

*Ballet versus Sprainger.*

A Devisee for  
Life of Mort-  
gaged Lands,  
must pay his  
Portion of  
the Mortgage  
Money.

A Man makes a Mortgage, and then devises the Land to A. for Life, and the Reversion descends to his Heir; the Tenant for Life enters into Possession, and brings a Bill against the Mortgagee to redeem, and the Heir likewise brought his Bill to redeem; Tenant for Life did not prosecute his Bill, but continued to receive the Profits, and about a Year before his Death, purchases in the Mortgages in the Name of the Defendant, and made the Defendant Executor, and died.

The Heir brought this Bill to redeem, and the only Question was, Whether the Devisee for Life should go away with all the Profits received, and the Heir be forced to pay off all the Incumbrances; or whether any Part of the Profits received should be applied to sink the Mortgage Money.

Lord *Keeper*. Devisee for Life must pay one Third of what was due at the Death of the Devisor, with Interest for the same, and the Heir must pay the rest, and the Master must take the Account accordingly; and so it would have been, if the Mortgagee had received the Profits, during the Life of Tenant for Life, and a

Cafe between *Clyatt* and *Battson*, *Trin.* 1686. was cited to that Purpose.

*Cleland* versus *Cleland*.

Cafe 58.

**P**Laintiff's Grandfather was Tenant for Life of a Farm, and the Inheritance was in the Plaintiff's Father, to whom he is Heir, on the Marriage of the Plaintiff's Father with the Defendant, who had a Portion of 300 *l.* in her Brother's Hands, and secured by his Bond to her; the Father and Grandfather join in settling this Farm upon the Defendant for her Jointure; and this Settlement is expressed to be made in Consideration of 100 *l.* paid to the Grandfather for the Marriage Portion of the Defendant, which 100 *l.* was paid to him accordingly by her Brother.

The Wife's Portion, tho' out on Bond or Mortgage, which by Law Survives to her, shall yet in Equity be Subject to the Husband's Bond-Debts to ease the Heir, where a Settlement is made on the Wife, for that makes the Husband

a Purchaser of her Fortune, and it shall go to his Executors; but if the Settlement were only in Consideration of Part of the Fortune, then the remaining Part out on Bond shall Survive to the Wife, unless there were an express Agreement that the Husband should have it.

The Marriage took Effect, and the Defendant's Husband died indebted to several Bonds, wherein he and his Heirs were bound, and Actions were brought against the Plaintiff, as his Heir, on the said Bonds, to subject the Real Estate descended to the Payment of them; and he brought this Bill to have the remaining 200 *l.* of the Portion, which was unpaid, applied in Discharge of these Debts.

It was pretended by the Defendant, that there was but 100 *l.* of her Portion to be paid, and that it was agreed by her Husband and herself before the Marriage, that the remaining 200 *l.* should be hers; and besides, that her Husband being dead, and this being a Debt to her not disposed of by him, it did by Law belong to her.

It was pretended by the Plaintiff to be expressly agreed before the Marriage, that the remaining 200 *l.* of her Portion should be applied to pay the Husband's Debts, if there was Occasion, but neither of the Agreements were well proved.

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The Master of the *Rolls* decreed the 200 *l.* to be applied towards Payment of the Husband's Debts, and said it was natural Equity it should be so, and there being a Settlement made on the Wife, the Portion, tho' it remains a Debt to the Wife doth belong to the Husband.

An Appeal was afterwards brought from this Decree before the Lord *Chancellor*, and he was of Opinion, that as this Case is, unless there were an Agreement, that the Husband should have the other 200 *l.* it will Survive to the Wife, and therefore directed it to be tried, whether there were any such Agreement or no; but if the Settlement had been in Consideration of the whole Portion, and had been Equivalent to it, that would have amounted to an Agreement, that the Husband should have had it.

*Note*, There was an Objection made in this Case for want of Parties; for that the Administrator of the Husband was not made a Party, but the Wife being called Administratrix in the Bill, and having by her Answer confessed, that she had Possessed the Personal Estate, and disposed of it (and being the Person by Law intitled to Administration) tho' she denied, by Answer, that she had taken Administration, the Court over-ruled the Objection.

Case 59.

### *Bloxton versus Drewit.*

One having Order to prove a Deed *viva voce*, at the Hearing not allowed to prove the Witnesses Hands, they being dead, but had leave to examine in the Office, to prove the Deed, tho' Publication was passed.

**T**HE Plaintiff had an Order to prove a Deed *viva voce*; at the Hearing it happened, that all the Witnesses to the Deed were dead, and the Plaintiff produced a Witness at the Hearing to prove their Hands, and this he could not be admitted to do; but the Master of the *Rolls* put off the Cause, and gave Liberty to examine in the Office to prove the Deed, notwithstanding Publication past.

## Lady Radnor versus Rotheram.

**T**HIS Case had been argued by Council on both Sides, and this Day was appointed to give Judgment.

The Case was, Lady Radnor's Husband was seised in Tail of the Lands in Question, but there was a Term for 99 Years Prior to his Estate (which was created for the Performance of several Trusts in the Earl of Warwick's Will, which were all performed, and after to attend the Inheritance) he levied a Fine, and suffered a Recovery, and sold the Estate to the Defendant; but his Wife not joining, she, after his Death, recovered Dower, and brought this Bill to have the Benefit of the Term.

It was said, the Husband should have had the Benefit of this Term, and Dower is the Continuance of the Husband's Estate, and the Vendee of the Husband shall have it, as to the Inheritance, and therefore, so ought the Dowress too; and if she had been a Jointress, there is no Doubt but she should have had it, and the Purchaser had Notice of the Marriage; and several Cases were cited, *Rockby* versus *Burdett*, Attorney General, and *Farmer Cloud*, and *Drake*, *Fletcher*, and *Robinson*, &c.

My Lord Chancellor said, he could not help the Plaintiff; for tho' a Jointress shall have the Aid of a Court of Equity in the like Case, that is, because she has a fixed Interest by the Agreement of the Party; but a Dowress has an Interest by Law, under particular Circumstances; and if it went upon the true Reason of the Thing, a Woman should be as well endowed of a Trust of an Inheritance, as of the Inheritance itself, which yet all agree she shall not be; and where an Inheritance, upon which a Term is attendant, is recovered, there the Term shall go along with it, for it must either do so, or be extinct, for the Trustee cannot have it. This Case has frequently happened, and yet was never helped,

Case 60.  
Parl. Cases  
196. S. C.  
13 November.

A Dowress shall not have the Assistance of a Court of Equity to set aside a Term for Years against a Purchaser. *Secus* of a Jointress, but against an Heir at Law a Dowress has been let in.



which is a strong Argument, it cannot be. In the Case of *Snell* versus *Clay* the Term did go to the Tenant by the Curtesy, but this Point was not stirred there; however, that was against an Heir at Law, and that is another Case; but here is a Purchaser, if there had been any Agreement to have had the Benefit of it, as there was in the Case of *Barker* and *Fouke*, it would have done it; but in this Case I can't assist the Dowress against a Purchaser, nor perhaps could I against the Heir.

The Lady *Radnor* brought an Appeal, and the 14th of April 1697, the Decree was affirmed in the House of Peers.

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## Termino S. Hillarii.

1696.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ

*Fairfax versus Heron.*

Case 61.

**T**HIS Case was ordered to be stated by a Master, and was thus; *William Barker, Esquire, being seised in Fee of divers Freehold Lands of 400 l. per Ann. the ninth of November 1684, makes his Will in Writing, duly attested by four Witnesses, and made his Nephew Henry Fairfax (his Heir at Law) Executor and Residuary Legatee, and thereby devised in these Words; I give all my Freehold and Copyhold Lands which I have in Possession, Remainder and Reversion, (not hereafter disposed of) after the Death of my Executor, to William Fairfax his Son, and his Heirs for ever; but if he die leaving no Son, then to that Son or Sons my Executor shall think fit to give them to by his last Will; which Son or Sons so nominated (if William die as aforesaid) I declare shall have my Lands, charged notwithstanding with such Annuities, Legacies, and Payments, as hereafter specified; and for Want of a Son of my Executor, I give the said Lands to the eldest Son of my Neice Heron, my Executor's Sister, charged notwithstanding as aforesaid; and I give my Leases to my Kinsmen Paul Jodrel, and Thomas Barker, in*

One devises all his Lands after the Death of his Executors to A. and his Heirs for ever; but if he die, leaving no Son, then to B. This is a good Executory Devise to B. if A. dies without Issue, because the Contingency must happen within the Compass of a Life.

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*Trust for the Benefit of my Executor for Life ; and after his Death in Trust for all my Executor's Children ; and for want of any Child or Children, in Trust for the eldest Son of my Neice Heron ; and that the Leases may be renewed if any or more of the Lives die, or my Trustees think fit to change any of them, I do desire they would do it on reasonable Terms.* And if his Executor did not provide Money enough for that Purpose within a Month after Demand, that the Trustees might mortgage any of the Lands of Inheritance to renew the Leases (except those belonging to the *Alms-House*) and appointed his Executor to pay his Wife out of any Part of the Estate (except the *Alms-House Lands*, and a Farm near *Workingham*, in the Possession of *George Goswell*) 200 l. per Ann. for Life, half-yearly, without any Deduction whatsoever, and several other Legacies, and made his Nephew *Henry Fairfax* sole Executor and Residuary Legatee.

*William Fairfax* the Executor's Son died an Infant without Issue, in the Life of *William Barker*, and *William Barker* died without Issue ; and *Henry Fairfax* proved his Will, and possessed Personal Estate sufficient to pay all the Debts and Legacies, and paid them accordingly, and died, leaving Plaintiffs his Daughters, and Coheirs. *Mrs. Heron* the Neice had two Sons, *Thomas* the eldest (now Defendant) and *Horatio*, who were living at Mr. *Barker's* Death ; and the Question was, Whether *Thomas Heron* took any, and what Estate by it ?

If Lands are devised to one generally, he takes but an Estate for Life, unless it appear plainly the Testator intended him a greater, or that he is like to be a Loser, or his Person chargeable.

My Lord Keeper was of Opinion, that he took an Estate for Life only, and no more ; for if Lands be given to a Man generally without limiting for what Estate, this makes but an Estate for Life, unless it appears plainly that the Testator intended a greater Estate, which it does not here ; and the Money directed to be paid by him cannot enlarge it, for none of them do affect his Person, and so he cannot take but an Estate for Life.

*Lord Keeper.* I think it is as plain he will take that, for all the Contingencies upon which he is to take, must happen within the Compass of a Life, and so no Danger

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of a Perpetuity; and this is the same with *Pele* and *Brown's* Case in Effect, tho' not in Words, and is like the Case of *Brett* and *Rigden*, and the Appointee of *Henry Fairfax* would have taken but an Estate for Life.

*Wentworth* versus *Devergin*. Case 62.

THE late Lord *Strafford* had entertained the Defendant first as his Servant; and afterwards having taken a great Affection to him as his Friend and Companion, and had often promised to make him a considerable Fortune, did settle an Estate in *England* on him, of about 150*l.* per Ann. but my Lord afterwards having a Mind to have that Estate back again, the Defendant reconveyed it to him, and delivered back the Deeds; my Lord still continuing his former Kindness to him, and his Promises of making him a Fortune.

*A.* makes a voluntary Settlement on *B.* who after agrees to deliver it up without Consideration. This Agreement shall bind in Equity, for a voluntary Settlement may be surrender'd voluntarily.

Accordingly my Lord did settle an Estate he had in *Sligo* in *Ireland* (after his own Death) on the Defendant and the Heirs of his Body; and this Estate was about 800*l.* per Annum.

Afterwards my Lord had a Mind to have this Estate again, which the Defendant agreed and complied with, my Lord still continuing his Promises of making his Fortune, and granted him a Rent-Charge of 600*l.* out of this *Sligo* Estate; but by the Negligence of my Lord or his Agents to demand it, the Defendant never delivered up the Conveyance of the *Sligo* Estate, nor made any Conveyance of it.

Afterwards my Lord paid the Defendant 4000*l.* to purchase off a Moiety of this Annuity of 600*l.* per Ann. and the Defendant thereupon released 300*l.* per Ann. but afterwards my Lord had a Mind to have that 300*l.* per Ann. released also, and spoke to the Defendant about it, who often, both by Word of Mouth, and by Letters, promised to release it, and a Release was brought and tender'd to him to be executed; but there having happened some Difference between my Lord and him, he

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refused to execute it; whereof my Lord being informed, he came into his Chamber (for he lived in my Lord's House) and expostulated sharply with him, and thereupon he executed the Release, and my Lord and he parted, and never lived together afterwards, nor saw one another except once.

My Lord died, having made his Will, and devised all his Real and Personal Estate (after Debts and Legacies paid) to the Plaintiff, who brought this Bill to have a Reconveyance of the *Sligo* Estate, and the Settlement delivered up.

Defendant insisted that he ought not to reconvey, at least not unless the 300*l. per Ann.* were made good to him, which he had released by Threats and Compulsion, as he pretended; or at best, that Release was voluntary, and without Consideration, and therefore ought not to be aided in a Court of Equity; besides, that he was in the Nature of a Purchaser, being to part with his Interest in the Land for the Rent-Charge.

My Lord Keeper said, that a voluntary Settlement might be surrender'd without Consideration, and that such Surrender might be aided by a Court of Equity, and decreed the Conveyance of the *Sligo* Estate to be delivered up, and the Defendant to reconvey it.

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## Termino Paschæ,

1697.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Jory versus Cox.

Case 63.

**T**HE Defendant was a Mortgagee, and in Possession; the Plaintiff brought a Bill to redeem, and had a Decree accordingly; before the Account taken, the Church became void, and the Mortgagee presented. Decree against a Mortgagee in Possession to redeem; but before the Account taken, a Church becoming void, Mortgagee presents; yet on Petition ordered to revoke his Presentation,

Upon the Plaintiff's Petition, the *Chancellor* order'd that he should revoke his Presentation, and present such a Person as the Mortgagor or his Vendee (for he had contracted to sell) should appoint.

Q. How this Revocation is to be; for I think a common Person can only *variare presentando*, but not revoke his Presentation, tho' the King may.

Cooper versus Williams.

Case 64.

**A** Man devises all his Personal Estate to his Wife for Life, and what she has left at the Time of her Death, it is my Will, and I do desire her that it may be equally distributed betwixt my own Kindred and hers. Testator died, and the Widow married the Defendant. Devise of Chattels for Life, with Remainder over, good; but if of small Value, and the Case require it, it may be otherwise.

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This Bill was brought by the Relations to have an Inventory taken of the Testator's Personal Estate, and that Security might be given that it should not be imbezzled, for that by his Will the Wife had only the Use of the Personal Estate during Life; and the Words, *What she has left* shall be construed to be by Reason of Goods that are *bona peritura*, or may be quite worn out with using.

On the Defendant's Part it was said, that the Estate left was so small, that she could not live upon it without spending the Stock.

Master of the Rolls. If that be so, it may alter the Case; therefore let the Master state the Value of the Personal Estate, and then I will give further Directions.

Case 65.

Parl. Cases  
137. S. C.

Sir *Evan Loyd* and Dame *Mary* his Wife,  
& al', versus *Carew* & al'.

Limitation  
of a Fee upon  
a Fee, on a  
Contingency  
to happen  
within a rea-  
sonable Com-  
pass of Time,  
no Perpe-  
tuity.

*A.* and *B.* two Sisters, seised of Lands in Fee, for 4000 *l.* paid *A.* by *C.* and in Consideration of a Marriage intended and afterwards had between *B.* and *C.* by Lease and Release, convey all their Lands to the Use of *B.* and *C.* for their Lives, Remainder to their first and other Sons in Tail-Male successively; Remainder to the Daughters of *B.* and *C.* in Tail; Remainder to the right Heirs of *C.* provided that if there be no Issue between *B.* and *C.* living at the Death of the Survivor of them; and that the Heirs of *B.* should within twelve Months after the Death of *B.* and *C.* dying without Issue as aforesaid, pay to the Heirs or Assigns of *C.* 4000 *l.* then the Remainder in Fee so limited to *C.* and his Heirs should cease, and that then the Premises should remain to the right Heirs of *B.* for ever.

Afterwards *B.* and *C.* for extinguishing the right Title, &c. which *B.* or his Heirs then had, or after might have, by any Settlement, *Proviso*, &c. on Payment of 4000 *l.* or otherwise to the Heirs of *C.* levy a Fine of the

the said Lands to the Use of C. and his Heirs, and directs the Trustees of the first Settlement to convey accordingly; then C. devises the said Lands to D. his Brother, subject to his Debts, which were near 5000*l.* and after B. and C. die without Issue.

A. the Sister and Heir of B. brings a Bill in Chancery against D. the Brother and Heir of C. and against the Trustees, to have a Conveyance of these Lands, on Payment of 4000*l.* pursuant to the *Proviso*, but was dismiss'd.

An Appeal was brought in Parliament, and for the Defendants or Respondents 'twas insisted, that the *Proviso* was void, the Fee being before limited to C. and his Heirs, and so not capable of a further Limitation, unless to happen in the Life of one or more Persons, in Being, at the Time of the Settlement, which is the furthest the Judges have ever gone in allowing contingent Limitations upon a Fee; and if they should be extended to Contingencies to happen within twelve Months after the Death of one or more Person or Persons in Being, they may as well be extended to Contingencies to happen within 1000 Years; and so all the Inconveniences of a Perpetuity will be let in; and the Owner of a Fee-simple thus clogged, will be no more capable of providing for the Necessities and Accidents of his Family, than a bare Tenant for Life.

2dly. If this Limitation were good, then the Estate limited to the Heirs of B. was virtually in her, and her Heirs must claim by Descent from her, and not as Purchasers; and then that Estate is barred by the Fine, the Design of giving such Power to the Heirs, not being to exclude the Ancestor; but because the Power in its Nature could not be executed till after the Death of the Ancestor, being to take Effect upon a Contingency that was not to happen till after that Time, and that by this Means C. would not only have no Portion with B. but D. his Brother would lose all the Money he paid for the Debts of C. and which were charged on the said Lands.



For the Appellants it was urged, that the *Proviso* was not void; that it was within the Reason of the contingent Limitations allowed in the *Duke of Norfolk's Case*, where it is said, that future Interests, springing Trusts, or Trusts executory, and Remainders, that are to arise upon Contingencies, are quite out of the Rule and Reason of Perpetuities, if they are not of remote Consideration, but such as will speedily wear out; that tho' there can be no Remainder limited after a Fee-simple, yet there may be a contingent Fee-simple arise out of the first Fee; that the *ultimum quod fit* of a Fee upon a Fee, is not yet plainly determined; that there could not in Reason be any Difference between a Contingency to happen during Life or Lives in Being, and within one Year after; and the Reason of allowing them to be good, if confined to Lives in Being, or upon their Decease was, because no Inconvenience could follow, and the same Rule will hold to a Year after; and that the true Rule to set Bounds to them is, when they prove inconvenient, and not otherwise; that this Settlement was made with good Advice.

2dly. That the Fine could not barr this *Proviso*, because the same never was nor could be in *B.* who levied it.

Mr. *Vernon* added also this Reason, That if the *Proviso* had been, that if *B.* die without Issue living at the Death of the Survivor of them, then if the Heirs of *B.* do upon the Death of such Survivor without Issue, pay 4000*l.* to the Heirs of *C.* then, &c. this you agree had been good, but being extended to a Year after, it is otherwise, and may as well be 4000*l.* Years after. To this he said, if the *Proviso* had been so worded, it would have been impossible to be performed; for then the Heirs of *B.* who could not be known till her Death, would have been obliged to carry always 4000*l.* about them, ready to pay; and to have the Heirs of *C.* who likewise could not be known till after his Death, always ready to receive it upon the Instant of the Death of the

the Survivor ; and it might happen that neither the one who was ready to pay it, nor the other who was ready to receive it, might be Heirs of B. and C. and surely when the Heirs of neither could be known till their Deaths; twelve Months was but a reasonable Time to procure and pay so great a Sum as 4000 l. which shews that a Limitation of a Fee after a Fee upon a Contingency to happen within one or more Life or Lives in Being, or upon their Deaths, being allowed to be good, may be extended further, when, as the Limitation may happen to be, 'twould be inconvenient or impossible to be performed within such a Time ; and that Inconvenience is only to be the Bound to these Limitations, which here is so far from being inconvenient, that it would be inconvenient and impossible to be performed otherwise.

For these Reasons the Decree of Dismissal was reversed.

THE WIFE had by Will devised unto several Lands to his Wife, Part of which were Copyhold, and were surrendered to the Use of his Will, and others were not surrendered; the Wife was Executrix, and intermarried with the Plaintiff Plessor, and they for a small Consideration got the Defendant WIFE and his Wife (who was then at Law to have the Plaintiff's Will) to enter into Articles for the conveying of these Lands, and making good the Will of WIFE; and afterwards on Petition of some Mistake in the first Articles, they were prevailed on to enter into new Articles to the same Purpose; there was some Consideration for their entering into the Articles, but it appeared they were not well apprised of their Interest when they did; and there was some Act used to bring them to it. And this Bill was brought to have a specific Performance.

THE Master of the Rolls would not decree the Articles of a Petition for conveying her Interest to be specifically performed, but dismissed the Bill, and let them to their Remedy at Law, as they should be advised.

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Term. S. Trinitatis,

1697.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 66.

*Preston & ux', versus Wassey & ux'.*

Feme Covert  
Heir at Law,  
and her Hus-  
band being  
drawn in to  
enter into  
Articles for  
supplying the  
Defect of a  
Surrender of  
Copyhold  
Lands to the  
Use of a Will,  
whereby they  
were devised  
to the Plain-  
tiff; the  
Plaintiff not  
allowed to  
carry these  
Articles into  
Execution,  
in Respect of  
the Fraud,  
and against a  
Feme Covert  
Heir at Law.

ONE *Worts* had by Will devised *inter al'* several Lands to his Wife, Part of which were Copyhold, and were surrend'ed to the Use of his Will, and others were not surrend'ed; the Wife was Executrix, and intermarried with the Plaintiff *Preston*, and they for a small Consideration got the Defendant *Wassey* and his Wife (who was Heir at Law to *Worts* the Testator) to enter into Articles for the conveying of these Lands, and making good the Will of *Worts*; and afterwards on Pre- tence of some Mistake in the first Articles, they were prevailed on to enter into new Articles to the same Pur- pose; there was some Consideration for their entring in- to the Articles, but it appeared they were not well ap- prised of their Interest when they did; and there was some Art used to bring them to it. And this Bill was brought to have a Specifick Performance.

But the Master of the *Rolls* would not decree the Arti- cles of a Feme Covert for conveying her Inheritance to be specifically performed, but dismiss'd the Bill, and left them to their Remedy at Law, as they should be advised;

and on Appeal my Lord *Keeper* affirmed the Decree, but went upon the Fraud, and did not seem to take Notice of its being the Inheritance of a Feme Covert, &c.

### *Serjeant versus Puntis.*

Cafe 67.

**A** Man made a Will of Lands several Years before the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*, and the Will had but two Witnesses to it; the Testator lived some Time after the Statute, and then died without altering his Will.

Will of Lands made before the Statute of *Frauds* had but two Witnesses, and the Testator died after the Statute, yet the Will being made before held good.

Master of the *Rolls*. I think it is a good Will to pass the Lands, being made before the Statute, tho' the Testator died after; but the other Side insisting to have it try'd at Law, he directed it accordingly.

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## Termino S. Mich.

1697.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 68.

*Trotter versus Williams.*

One Devises  
to A. 500 l.  
to B. 500 l.  
and so to five  
others the  
like Sum, and  
if any to  
whom I have  
given any  
Money, Le-  
gacy, happen  
to die, then  
his or her  
Legacy, and

also the Residue of my Personal Estate, to go to such of them as shall be then Living: Decreed  
it should be taken to be Living at the Death of the Testator, and not at any Time after; so that  
the Death of any of the Legatees after, would not carry it to the Survivors.

A Man made his Will, and after several Legacies de-  
vises in this Manner: *Item*, I give and bequeath  
to A. 500 l. to B. 500 l. and so gives 500 l. a-piece to  
five others, and my Will is, that if any to whom I  
have given any Money, Legacy, happen to die, that  
then her Legacy, and also the Residue of my Personal  
Estate shall go to such of them as shall be then Living,  
equally to be divided betwixt them all.

All the Legatees live to be of full Age, and then one  
of them makes her Will, and Devises her 500 l. to the  
Plaintiff, and dies, and the Question was, Whether this  
Devise made by her were good, or whether the Legacy  
of the deceased Person should be divided amongst the  
Survivors by the Will of the first Testator, or shall go  
without restraint of Time.

The *Attorney General* argued, that there was no Ground  
at all to restrain the Words, *happen to die*, to a dying,  
during the Life of the Testator; and there is no need

of making that Construction for saving it from being a lapsed Legacy, for that is as well done by the Devise of the Surplus, and there is no Time limited; so that his Intention is plain, and must be taken to be a Devise of the Legacy for Life only, and as to the Surplus, that is not given 'till the last Clause upon the Contingency.

*Rawlinson* said, that if a Time of Payment had been limited, that might have made it have another Construction than now it will, and cited the Case of *Clerk versus Bridges*.

*Cur.* The Words *shall go to such of them as shall be then living*, must refer to a certain Time, and that is, when the Legacies become payable, which is at the Death of the Testator.

*Joseph versus Mott.*

Case 69.

A Man made his Will, and died indebted to several Persons by Bond more than his Personal Estate would pay, a Bond Creditor of the Testator's brought a Bill against the Executor to have a Discovery and Account of the Personal Estate, and a Satisfaction of his Debt, at the Hearing the Executor made Default; so there was a Decree against him for an Account and Satisfaction out of the Assets *vis.* &c. before the Decree was made absolute, another Bond Creditor of the Testator brought an Action of Debt at Law against the Executor, upon a Bond; he appeared, and because he could not plead this Decree at Law, suffered Judgment to go against him by Default; and the Account being carried on before the Master, the Question before him was, Whether he should allow this Judgment on the Account, and he being in Doubt, reported the Matter specially to the Court for their Direction.

The Master of the Rolls was of Opinion, that the Decree must be preferred, and it coming now to be reheard before my Lord Chancellor, he was of the same Opinion.

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A Decree in Chancery against an Executor preferred to a Judgment at Law against him, being Prior in Time.



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**Termino S. Hillarii.**

1697.

**IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.**

Case 70.

*Duke of Norfolk versus Browne.*

A Grant of the next Avoidance to one without his Privy held a resulting Trust for the Grantor, no other Trust being declared.

**T**HE late Duke of *Norfolk*, Plaintiff's Father, had executed a Grant of the next Avoidance of a Church to the Defendant's Father, who was a Clergyman, and a Person much intrusted and employ'd by him, and the Grantee knew nothing of the making of this Grant, and being examined in a Cause, deposed that he did not Purchase it of the Duke.

Lord *Keeper*, this is a resulting Trust for the Grantor, there being no other Trust declared.

Case 71.

*Smith versus Loader.*

A. being to procure 1000 l. for B. borrows it, and pays B. only 300 l. and takes other 300 l. himself, and the remaining 400 l. in Goods which prove worth little or nothing, and for securing the whole 1000 l. both gave a Recognizance; yet that being sued against B. he brought this Bill, and had a Perpetual Injunction against the Recognizance on Payment of 300 l. only, and Interest, by Reason of some Circumstances of Fraud in A.

**P**laintiff being a Man of Estate, and wanting 1000 l. applied to the Defendant, who was a Scrivener, to procure it for him; but told him, he would not borrow it of any Mechanick, but of a Gentleman. *Loader* treated with one *Burroughs* a Vintner, who agreed to lend the Money, and the Recognizance was taken

taken, in Name of J. S. a Country Gentleman, in Trust for *Burroughs*; and the Plaintiff did not know that *Burroughs* was the Lender of the Money, and some Care had been used by *Burroughs*, that he might not know it.

Three hundred Pound of the Money was paid to the Plaintiff upon his entring into a Recognizance, and a Day or two after, 300 l. more was paid to the Defendant *Loader*, and the other 400 l. *Loader* had taken in Wine (being, as he swore in his Answer, so to do by *Burroughs*) and the Wines were not really worth above 150 l.

Execution upon this Recognizance was sued out against the Plaintiff, and he brought this Bill to be relieved; upon Payment of the 300 l. only, which he himself had received, pretending, that this was only a Contrivance betwixt *Loader* and *Burroughs*.

The Master of the Rolls took it to be nothing else but a Contrivance, and therefore decreed a perpetual Injunction against this Recognizance, upon the Plaintiff's Payment of 300 l. with Interest; and upon Appeal to my Lord Chancellor, he affirmed the Decree, tho' no other Evidence than as before.

*Bowater versus Ellis.*

Case 72.

**T**enant for Life, and *Cestui que Trust* in Remainder in Tail, joined with the Trustee in making a Feoffment of the Land, this a good Barr of the Estate Tail.

Case 73.

*Lord Bristol versus Hungerford.*

**S**IR William Basset made his Will in Writing, and thereby devised Lands to be sold for the Payment of his Debts, and wills, that the Surplus shall be deemed

Lands devised to be sold for Payment of his Debts, and that the Surplus should be

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deemed Part of his Personal Estate, and go to his Executors, and gives his Executors 100 l. a-piece as a Legacy; the Surplus decreed a Trust in the Executors, and Subject to Distribution, for the Direction concerning the Surplus was only to exclude the Heir, not to give it to the Executors in their own Right.



Part of his Personal Estate, and go to his Executors, and gives to his Executors 100 *l.* a-piece as a Legacy.

The Question was, Whether, as this Case is, the Executors should have the Surplus to their own Use, or should distribute it according to the Statute of Distributions?

'Twas urged for the Executors, That by the Will it is expressly said, that the Surplus should be Part of his Personal Estate, and go to his Executors; and therefore it must be understood, he meant it them, to their own Use; and his giving them a Legacy of 100 *l.* a-piece cannot alter the Case, for the Surplus might, perhaps, be nothing, and therefore he gave them the 100 *l.* that they might in all Events be sure of something, and not to exclude them of the Benefit of the Surplus; and this being a Devise of the Surplus after Debts and Legacies paid, cannot be a Trust in them, for then all their Trust is performed, when Debts and Legacies are paid.

On the other Side, 'twas said, That the Words in the Will, that the Surplus should be Part of his Personal Estate, and go to his Executors, were only intended to exclude the Heir, who else would have had it, and not to give any greater Interest to his Executors than they would have otherwise, *Curia advisare vult*, but afterwards decreed it to a Trust in the Executors.

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# Termino S. Mich.

1698.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

### *Comstad versus Cely.*

Case 74.

**T**HE Plaintiff being a Residuary Legatee, brought his Bill against the Defendant, who was one of the Executors (without his Co-executor) to have an Account of his own Receipts and Payments.

Two Executors, and a Bill by a Residuary Legatee against one only, to have an Account of his

own Receipts and Payments; yet at the Hearing the Objection for want of the other disallowed, unless in the Process of the Cause it should appear necessary: So where two Factors are, a Bill has been allowed against one, the other being beyond Sea.

Defendant insisted at the Hearing, that his Co-executor ought to be made a Party; and that, tho' a Bill might be brought against one Factor without his Companion, if he were beyond Sea; yet that had been allowed only for Necessity, and that it was otherwise in Case of Executors.

Lord Chancellor. The Cause shall go on, and if upon the Account any Thing appear difficult, the Court will take Care of it: The Reason is the same here, as in Case of Joint Factors; and the running out of Process in this Case, is purely Matter of Form, and I doubt whether a Foreigner can be served with a *Subpana* in a foreign Country.

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*Hutchins* said, he remembered that the Great Duke of *Tuscany* had laid several Persons by the Heels, for executing a Commission to examine Witnesses in his Dominions without his Leave.

Case 75.

*Balch* versus *Wilson*.

A Feme Covert has Power given her by her Husband to make a Will; Probate of such Will *per Testes*, is sufficient Proof without other Proof; because, as to that Purpose, the Husband has made her a Feme Sole, and no Prohibition will lie.

Case 76.

*Bold* versus *Corbett*.

Discretionary in a Court of Equity, whether it will Aid voluntary Conveyances, when there is no Remedy at Law.

THE Lord Chancellor said, in this Case voluntary Conveyances might be added in a Court of Equity; but where there is no Remedy at Law, 'tis Discretionary in this Court to interpose or not.

Case 77.

*Kirk* versus *Webb*.

A Trustee purchases Lands out of the Profits received out of the Trust Estate, and takes the Conveyance in his own Name; tho' possible, if he

THE present Question in this Case, was occasioned by a Construction that was made by the House of Peers, upon a Settlement and Will of Sir *Henry Wood*, (which together made but one Conveyance) whereby his Estate was settled on his Daughter, upon her Marriage then intended, and afterwards solemnized between her and the then Earl, now Duke of *Southampton*.

be unable to make other Satisfaction for the Profits so misapplied, those Lands may be sequester'd; yet they cannot be decreed to be a Trust for the *Cestui que Trust*, no more than if *A*. borrow Money of *B*. and therewith purchases Lands; these Purchased Lands are no Trust for *B*. for 'tis nor a Trust in Writing; and resulting Trust it cannot be, because that would be to contradict the Deed by Parol Proof, directly against the Statute of Frauds; but if the Purchase had been recited to have been made with the Profits of the Trust Estate, this appearing in Writing might ground a resulting Trust.

The Estate was conveyed to Trustees (whereof the Bishop of *Litchfield* and *Coventry*, Sir *Henry's* Brother was one)

one) and the Clause that bred the first Dispute was a Limitation, whereby the Trust of the Estate was limited after the Death of the Duke of *Southampton* without Issue, to the *Dutchess* for Life, &c. and after to the *Bishop* for Life, &c. and after to Sir *Cesar Cranmer* al' *Wood* for Life, &c.

The *Dutchess* died in the Life-time of the Duke, without Issue, and the *Bishop* conceiving himself to be then intitled in his own Right, entered and enjoy'd the Profits for several Years, and till his Death, and made his Will, and the Defendant Executor, and devised several Legacies to Charities, and devised all his Lands to the Defendant.

After the Death of the *Bishop*, Sir *Henry Wood* entered, and the Duke of *Southampton* being then advised, that tho' there were no Limitation of the Trust of the Estate to him, but only that after his Death without Issue by the *Dutchess*, it should go to the *Dutchess* for Life, &c. yet by the plain Intention of Sir *Henry Wood*, it did belong to him, and being in Case of Trust would be so expounded.

Upon which the Duke of *Southampton* brought a Bill in this Court against Sir *Cesar Cranmer*, to have a Conveyance of the Estate for his Life, and an Account of the Profits; and the Court were of Opinion with the Duke, that by the Intention of Sir *Henry Wood*, he was to have the Estate for his Life, and decreed accordingly; but Sir *Cesar Cranmer* brought an Appeal in the House of *Peers*, and the Lords reversed the Decree, for that there was no Estate limited to the Duke of *Southampton*; and it not being limited over till after his Death, the Interest during his Life belonged to the Heirs of Sir *Henry Wood*, as an undisposed Interest.

The two Defendants, who, together with Sir *Cesar Cranmer*, were Coheirs to Sir *Henry Wood*, brought a Bill to have two Thirds of the Estate, during the Life of the Duke of *Southampton*, and obtained a Decree accordingly.



Upon which, the Plaintiff *Kirk*, as Administrator to his Wife, who was the only Child of *John Wood*, who was eldest Brother of Sir *Henry Wood*, and as such was during her Life intitled to the Profits that had been received by the *Bishop* out of Sir *Henry's* Estate; and that therefore the *Bishop's* Executor ought out of his Personal Estate to make them good to him; and that the *Bishop* had out of the Profits of Sir *Henry Wood's* Estate, purchased several Lands, which being purchased with his Wife's Money were a Trust for her, and now for him, as her Administrator, and ought to be decreed to him, in Case he had not a full Satisfaction out of the *Bishop's* Personal Estate.

Upon hearing of the Cause, the Personal Estate was decreed liable to the Plaintiff's Satisfaction, and an Account ordered to be taken of it, and the Master to report what Charities, or other Legacies the Defendant, the Executor had paid; and at what Time, and what Purchases the *Bishop* had made in his Life Time, and the particular Times and Values of each Purchase, and what of the said Purchases had been made with the Profits of Sir *Henry Wood's* Estate, and then the Court would give Directions, as to what Payments should be allowed to the Executor; and how far the Estates purchased by the *Bishop* should be liable to make the Plaintiff Satisfaction.

The Master made his Report, certifies the Purchases made by the *Bishop*; and that it appeared to him by Proof (of a Man who received great Part of the Profits of the Trust, and paid the Money for several of the Purchases) that such particular Parts of the Purchase-Money of the several Purchases, were the Profits of the Trust, viz. Sir *Henry Wood's* Estate.

The Matter standing this Day to be heard upon the Master's Report, my Lord disallowed the Executor all the Charities and other Legacies (which were very considerable) which he paid, tho' they were paid before this Bill brought.

Then the Matter as to the Land was debated, and my Lord seemed to be of Opinion for the Plaintiff as to that too, and said, that the *Bishop* was a Trustee, tho' he did not take himself to be one, and that when a Trustee laid out the Money of *Cesti que Trust* in Lands, he thought the Lands might be followed.

But it being strongly insisted upon by the other Side, that they could not, and that it was a Matter of great Consequence, and never done before, my Lord appointed to consider of it till a farther Day, and desired the Assistance of the Master of *Rolls* and Mr. Justice *Powell*.

On arguing the Case before them, it was insisted for the Plaintiff, that 'tis but Justice and Reason that the Lands Purchased with the Profits should go in the same Manner as the Profits themselves would have gone; and tho' it did not appear in the Case, that the whole Purchases had been made with the Trust-Money, that was through the Trustees own Fault, whose Part it was to have kept the Account, and it did appear in the Cause, that he had received enough of the Trust Estate to make all the Purchases, and therefore it shall be intended it was all so employ'd, unless the contrary be proved by the Defendant; and it was compared to the Case where a Man mixes his Money with another Man's Heap, he shall lose his own Money; 'twas said, if this Fact had appeared in the Deed, it would have been a Resulting Trust, and that this is the same Thing, as if a *Guardian* lays out the Money of his *Ward* in Land, and leaves no Personal Estate, Shall not the Land be liable? And if a Bill had been brought against the *Bishop*, these Lands might certainly have been sequestred in his Hands, And shall his Devisee be in a better Condition? And the Case of *Piere* and *Harwood*, and some other Cases were cited.

On the other Side, it was said, that it must be considered how it was before the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*, and how it would be since: Before the Statute it was never held to be a Trust, unless there were a Declaration in the Deed to that Purpose, and much less can it be



be so since the Statute ; for by the Statute there can be no Trust, unless it be declared in Writing (which is not in this Case) and if it be a Resulting Trust, it is made so by Parol Proof, contrary to the Deed, which is directly contrary to the Statute, and would introduce all the the Mischiefs That intended to prevent ; that it would introduce an utter Uncertainty into all Mens Titles, for the best Title may be spoiled by proving the Purchase-Money to be another Person's ; and it was said, that this can no more be a Trust, than if *A.* had borrowed Money of *B.* and laid it out in Land, that Land could be a Trust for *B.* and the Case of *Cox and Carr*, and other Cases were cited.

Justice *Powell* said, the Precedents that had been cited on the Plaintiff's Part were nothing to the Purpose, so that 'tis a Case without Precedent, and of great and dangerous Consequence ; he cited the Case of *Walter de Chirton*, who was the King's Receiver ; and it was found that he purchased Land with the King's Money, yet this was never held to be a Resulting Trust, not even in the King's Case ; that it was against the Statute of *Frauds and Perjuries*, and would let in all the Mischiefs That intended to prevent ; therefore he was of Opinion the Plaintiff could not be relieved.

The Master of the *Rolls* was of Opinion, That as this Case was, the Plaintiff could not be relieved, and cited the Case of *Farrington versus Forth*, and 4 *Inst. Tit. Court of Chancery* ; and the Case of *Mears and St. John*, 1686 ; but he said, if it had been expressly and plainly proved that these Purchases had been made with the Profits of the Trust Estate, he thought it might have been otherwise.

My Lord *Chancellor* was of the same Opinion with Mr. Justice *Powell*. On Appeal to the House of Lords, this Decree was affirmed, 7 March, 1699.

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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1698.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Bayly versus Robson.*

Case 78.

**A** Mortgagee in Fee lends Money to the Mortgagor upon Bond, and the Mortgagor dies, and his Heir sells the Equity of Redemption.

Mortgagor borrows more Money on Bond, the Vendee of the Heir of the Mortgagor shall redeem the Land without paying the Bond Debt.

Lord Chancellor. The Vendee of the Heir of the Mortgagor shall redeem the Land without paying the Money Lent on the Bond.

Earl of *Warrington* versus Sir *James Langham*.

Case 79.

**P**laintiff's Father married Sir *James Langham*'s only Daughter; and upon the Marriage-Articles enter'd into between the Defendant and Plaintiff's Grandfather, by which the Defendant covenants, that he would within six Months after the Marriage pay the Plaintiff's Grandfather 10000 l. and that his Executors should pay him 10000 l. within six Months after his Death, and the

One Covenant on Marriage Articles to pay 10000 l. within six Months after his Death; and after growing Old and Infirm, Covenantee would have obliged him

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Earl

to have given Security; but the Court held, that they could not alter this Agreement of the Parties, or make it better than they themselves had; and tho' Executors might be obliged to give better Security for Legacies payable in *Futuro*, that is, because they are in Nature of Trustees, and there is no Agreement one Way or another.



Earl covenanted to make the Wife a Jointure of 1500*l.* but no Covenant for making any Settlement upon the Children. The Marriage took Effect, and the Defendant paid the 10000*l.* and the Jointure was made, and both Plaintiff's Father and Mother were dead.

The Defendant being grown old, and having married a 4th Wife, the Plaintiff his Grandson brought this Bill, pretending, that the Defendant was grown very weak in his Understanding, and wholly influenced by his Wife, and it was greatly to be feared would spend or make away his Estate, and not leave wherewithal to pay the 10000*l.* at his Death; and therefore, to have the Money paid presently, the Defendant having an Allowance of the Interest, or at least, that he might give better Security, to pay it when it became due, was the Bill.

The Defendant swore by his Answer, that upon the Treaty of Marriage, no other Security was required for the Money but his Covenant, and if there had, he would never have consented to the Match.

'Twas urged for the Plaintiff, that 'tis but just that every Man should make their Creditors safe, that their Debts shall be paid at all Events, and this Court ought to extend its Authority to prevent them from being defeated; that this Court does enforce Executors to give Security to pay Legacies, which are to be paid in *Futuro*; that this is a Debt *in Presenti*, tho' not yet payable; and that by the Custom of the City of London Debtors may be arrested before the Day of Payment to give better Security; and that this Court did grant *ne exeat Regnum*, against Persons that were going away to avoid Payment of their Debts.

On the other Side, 'twas said, that this Bill is not to execute an Agreement between the Parties, but to make a new one; that an Executor was but a Trustee of the Testator's Money for the Legatee, and the Court might take such Methods as were proper to make him execute the Trust; but in that Case there is no Agreement between the Executor and Legatee one Way or other; and the

the Question here is, Whether, when there is an Agreement between the Parties, any Court can alter it? And as for the Custom of *London*, for arresting a Debtor before the Time of Payment, to give better Security, 'twas much doubted whether there was any such Custom; but if there be, all their Customs are confirmed by Act of Parliament, and therefore they may do what no other Court can, which have not the same Warrant for it.

My Lord Chancellor dismifs'd the Bill, and an Appeal was brought in the House of Lords and heard; but the Lords put it off from Time to Time (to the End the Parties might agree it) and would do nothing in it, and at last there was an Agreement, the Plaintiff complying with the Defendant's Terms, and the Defendant died soon after.



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# Termino Paschæ,

1699.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Cafe 80. Duke *Hamilton* & ux', vers. Lady *Gerrard*.

A Peerefs ordered to produce Deed; confessed in her Answer on Honour only, not on Oath.

**T**HE Bill was (*inter al'*) to discover Deeds and Writings which belonged to the Plaintiff's Wife's Estate; the Defendant by Answer owned she had several in her Power, but did not set them forth; and on the Plaintiff's Motion she was ordered to produce them on Oath.

But on Application to the Court, that Order was altered, and she was ordered to produce them on Honour only, being in Supplement of her Answer, which was only on Honour, being a Peerefs. And so it was ordered in a Cafe of *Powel*, late Master of the *Rolls*, against the Countess of *Dorset*.

Cafe 81.

### *Bayly* versus *Powell*.

**A** Woman made her Will, and gave Legacies to all her Relations (which, as appear'd, she had no great Kindness for) but did not trust some of them with their own Legacies, but devised them to Trustees, to be put out for their Benefit. She likewise gave 50*l.* to one of her Executors, and 20*l.* to the other; and the Question was, Who should have the Surplus, which was considerable?

My Lord *Chancellor* decreed it to be distributed, and the Executor to pay Costs for insisting on it.

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## Term. S. Trinitatis,

1699.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Crew* versus *Jolliff*.

Case 82.

**M**Y Lord *Crew* made his Will, and devised Lands to be sold for raising Portions for the Plaintiffs, who were his Daughters, by a second *Venter*; and this Bill was brought by them and the Executrix, to have the Will proved, and the Trust performed.

Plaintiff's  
Daughters  
by a second  
*Venter*,  
brought their  
Bill against  
the Defen-  
dant's Daugh-  
ters by a first

*Venter*, to prove their Father's Will, whereby Lands were devised to be sold to raise Plaintiffs Portions; and on a Trial at Bar, and Verdict for the Will, Defendants ordered to join in a Sale, but were allowed their Costs both at Law and in Equity.

Defendants were his Daughters by a first *Venter*, and were all married by him in his Life-time, but had not near so great Portions as the Plaintiffs, who together with Defendants were his Coheirs, and by Answer insisted to have the Validity of the Will tried at Bar, which was thereupon ordered accordingly: And at the Trial, Defendants perceiving the Matter against them, gave no Evidence; so there was a Verdict for the Will. And now the Case standing on the Equity reserved, the Defendants were ordered to join in a Sale, but were to have their Costs, both here and at Law, upon their joining, tho' it was insisted on the other Side, that they ought not to have Costs, having as now appeared by Verdict, wrongfully occasioned all the Expence.

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*Dormer*



Case 83.

*Dormer versus Bertie.*

Where Lands are devised to the Executors to be sold for several Purposes, and the Surplus is expressly devised to them, there can be no Resulting Trust for the Benefit of the Heir.

**M**R. Robert Dormer having no Children, but six Brothers of the Half Blood, and the Plaintiff, who was his Cousin and Heir of the whole Blood, by Will gives the Plaintiff 50*l.* to buy him Mourning, gives several Estates to the six Brothers and their Heirs severally, and several other Legacies; and also Legacies of 5*l.* a piece to the Defendants to buy them Mourning, and then says, *All the rest, &c. of my Manors, &c. Goods, Chattels, &c. and all other my Real and Personal Estate whatsoever, I give to Charles Bertie, Peregrine Bertie, and John Bertie (who were Defendants) whom I nominate and appoint Executors of this my Will, equally to be divided between them, Share and Share alike, to hold to them, their Heirs and Assigns for ever.*

This Bill was brought to have the Surplus a Resulting Trust for the Plaintiff the Heir, because the Defendants had Legacies given them by the Will.

But the Court held, that if one can give away the Surplus of his Estate, it is done here, and no Trust for the Heir; and cited the Case of *Crompton versus North*, as a much stronger Case, and yet held no Trust; and tho' a Legacy given an Executor, may be an Argument against him *quoad* the Surplus, when not expressly given him; yet it can be no Argument at all, when it is expressly given him. Also the Plaintiff the Heir has a Legacy given him, and not the Surplus, which turns the Argument as strong against him; and an Appeal being afterwards brought in the House of Lords, this Decree was affirmed that it was no Trust for the Heir.

Cary

## Cary versus Pulford.

Case 84.

J. S. had an Estate, Part Freehold and Part Copyhold, of about 14 l. per Ann. which he used to spend usually in the House of one Brick a poor Alehouse-keeper, and he at last persuaded J. S. to sell him his Estate for an Annuity of 26 l. per Ann. and the Plaintiff Cary (who was an Attorney at Law) was employed by Brick in this Matter, and drew the Deeds, whereby J. S. conveyed his Freehold and Copyhold Lands to Brick, in Fee for an Annuity of 26 l. per Ann. for his Life, payable half yearly; and there was a Condition of Re-entry, in Case it were not paid, and Brick covenanted to pay it; and the Surrender of the Copyhold was upon the same Condition.

One sells his Estate of 14 l. per Ann. for an Annuity of 26 l. per Ann. during his Life, with Clause of Re-entry for Non-payment; and the Annuity being in Arrear, and the Purchaser being unable to pay it any longer, the Grantee re-enters, and devises these Lands to Defendant, and

dies about a Year after; and the Plaintiff having an Assignment from the Purchaser of all his Interest, brought this Bill to redeem, on Pretence of its being in Nature of a Mortgage, but was dismissed, no Redemption being sought during the Life of the Grantee, whilst it was uncertain whether the Bargain would be a good or a bad one; and it was only a conditional Purchase, and not a Mortgage.

Brick entred and paid one Half Year of the Annuity, and then was thrown in Gaol by his Creditors, and his Wife declared he could pay the Annuity no longer, but that J. S. must take his Land again; and Brick had indeed received more out of the Lands, by Sale of Timber and Rents than he had paid for the Annuity; and not continuing to pay it, J. S. made a Demand, and re-entred into the Freehold, and was admitted into the Copyhold Estate, and lived about a Year in Possession, and then died, having first made his Will, and devised the Land to the Defendant in Fee, and made him Executor; and he was admitted to the Copyhold.

The Plaintiff prevails with Brick to convey all his Interest to him, and brought this Bill to redeem.

'Twas insisted upon, that this was but the common Case, where a Man takes Advantage of a Condition for Non-payment of Money at the precise Day; and this Court



Court always relieves upon Payment of the Money with Interest, from the Time it ought to have been paid.

On the other Side 'twas said, that this Case is not at all like that Case, and that here there can be no Redemption; for that the only Consideration of *Brick's* Purchase was, that *J. S.* might enjoy a more plentiful Substance during his Life, and that he was deprived of by *Brick's* Non-payment; that during the Life of *J. S.* whilst it was doubtful whether the Bargain would be a good or a bad one (as it might if *J. S.* had lived long) no Redemption was sought; and now they cannot have it.

My Lord Chancellor said, This is not like the common Case; here is no Consideration paid by *Brick*, but the Annuity only; and therefore I cannot admit of a Redemption, or give any Relief, and dismiss'd the Bill.

Case 85.

12 July.

Trust of a Term for Years limited to *A.* for Life, and after his Death to the Heirs of his Body, vests in them by Purchase, and not by Way of Limitation, so that *A.* has no Power to dispose of it beyond his own Life.

### *Daffern versus Bolt.*

A Term for Years was assigned to *J. S.* in Trust, to permit *J. Bolt* to enjoy the Profits so many Years of the Term as he should live; and after his Death, in Trust, to permit *Jane* his Wife to enjoy the Profits for so many Years of the Term as she should live; and after their Deaths in Trust to permit the Heirs of the Body of *Jane* to be begotten, to enjoy the Premises during the Residue of the Term.

The only Question in this Case was the same that was made in the Case of *Peacock versus Spooner*, viz. Whether the Words *Heirs of the Body* were Words of Limitation, and so the Term disposeable by *Jane*, or whether they were Words of Purchase?

This Case was debated before my Lord Chancellor the 14th of March last, and he then said he would not be bound by the Precedent of *Peacock versus Spooner*, if he could find any Difference in the Cases; but if they were precisely the same, he could not depart from it, and took till this Day to consider of it. He mentioned

*Cranmer's Case in Dier*, and said, that the Words Heirs of the Body, are Words of Purchase, not of Limitation, and that he had considered of *Peacock* and *Spooner's Case*, and that was a stronger Case than this, and a plainer Affec-  
tation of a Perpetuity.

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Termino S. Mich.

1699.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Brown versus Gibbs.*

Case 86.

*F. Harris* seised in Fee of certain Lands, made a Set-  
tlement of them to the Use of himself for Life,  
then to Trustees for a Term for Years; then as to one  
Moiety to his Son *M.* and the Heirs of his Body, with  
other Remainders over; and the Trust of the Term is  
declared to be for raising 200*l.* a-piece for the two Daugh-  
ters of *M.* and a *Proviso*, that if *M.* or the Heirs of his  
Body shall pay, &c. to the Daughters at 21, or Mar-  
riage, the Term to cease.

*M.* dies without Issue Male, leaving only his said two  
Daughters: Plaintiff (who was his Widow) recovered  
Dower at Law with a *Cessat Executio* during the Term,  
and now brought this Bill against the Defendants (who

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were

A Court of  
Equity won't  
assist a Dow-  
ress who has  
had Judgment  
at Law with  
a *Cessat Exe-  
cutio* in re-  
moving a  
Trust Term.



were the Daughters) to set aside the Term, that she might have the Benefit of her Recovery at Law.

'Twas insisted upon for the Plaintiff, that this Term ought to be absolutely set aside, for that the Intention of the Settlement could only be to raise Portions for Daughters, in Case *M.* had Issue Male; for if he should leave none, as he did not, the Daughters were to have the Land itself, by Virtue of the Limitations of the Settlement, and they cannot raise themselves a Portion out of their own Estate; and therefore the Purpose for which the Term was intended, failing, the Term in Equity had no Subsistence; and tho' where there is a Term generally to attend the Inheritance, that may perhaps prevent a Dowress, because it can be intended to be kept on Foot for no other Purpose but to prevent Incumbrances; yet it will be otherwise in this Case, where the Term is declared to be for a particular Purpose, which is otherwise provided for; and tho' in the Case of *Lady Radnor versus Rotheram*, this Court would not set aside the Term, yet that was, because it was against a Purchaser, but there is no Purchaser in this Case, but we come against the Heir, and therefore the Term in this Case ought to be wholly set aside; and in the Case of *Clay versus Snell*, Tenant by the Courtesy was let in against such a Term.

2<sup>dly</sup>. Admit that the Term shall not be wholly set aside; yet the Plaintiff is intitled to have an Account of the Profits, and to be let into the Benefit of her Dower, paying what is unraised of the Portions, if it were a common Mortgage, it cannot be denied but she should redeem; and in this Case the Term is only a Security for raising these Portions, which is the same Thing.

Lord Chancellor. In the Case of *Clay versus Snell*, there was such an Order, but the Point was not debated; but the Question here is, Whether a Court of Equity shall make a new Rule? the Judgment that the Plaintiff has recovered at Law, is with a *Cessat Executio*, and therefore to set aside the Term would be to relieve her against the

the very Judgment upon which she founds her Right of Relief. In the Case of Lady Radnor versus *Rotherham* there was a Purchaser, it is true, yet the Court did not go upon that Reason; and here the Plaintiff being a Dowress must be contented with the Estate as the Law gives it; the Redemption of a Mortgage is another Case, for the Mortgage is looked upon as a Personal Contract, and the Mortgagee has no Interest beyond his Money, and therefore dismiss'd the Bill.

### *Parker versus Blackbourne.*

Case 87.

**A**T the hearing of this Cause it was objected by the Defendant *Blackbourne*, that *J. S.* who was a necessary Defendant was not brought to hearing. Plaintiff shewed they had prosecuted him to a Sequestration, and therefore might go on. Defendant answered, that the Affidavit on which the Process of Sequestration was founded, was insufficient; and upon reading of it, it appeared that the *Subpoena* was left at a Place where *J. S.* had only lodged once, and that above two Years before the Service.

If a necessary Defendant be prosecuted regularly to a Sequestration, the Plaintiff may go on without him against the other Defendants; but serving a *Subpoena* at a Place where he lodged but once, and

that two Years before such Service, is not good.

The Court held it not sufficient Service to go on against the other Defendant alone, unless the Plaintiff would consent to stand in the Place of *J. S.* to all Purposes, which he not doing, the Cause went off for want of Parties.

### *Lord Castleton versus Lord Fanshaw.*

Case 88.

**T**HE late Lord *Fanshaw*, Brother to the Defendant, had by his Will made the Defendant the *Lord Fanshaw* and others his Executors; and after his Debts and Legacies paid, devised all the Residue of his Personal Estate

One by Will devises the Surplus after Debts and Legacies paid to his Wife, and makes *A.* and *B.* his Executors; the Creditors

compound for less than their full Debts, from an Apprehension there was not Assets; but Assets afterwards came in. On a Bill by the Wife for an Account of the Surplus, the Executors would have let in the Creditors to their full Debts, which would have reduced the Surplus to little; but the Court would not set aside this Compulsion, the Creditors having no Bill for that Purpose.



Estate to his Wife, now married to the Plaintiff the Lord Castleton.

This Bill was brought to have an Account of the Estate, and the Benefit of the Surplus; the Executors apprehended there would not be Assets to pay the Debts; and there was a Dispute about a Sum of 4000*l.* whether it should be accounted Assets or not, in Equity; and whilst that Matter was under Debate (it appearing that without that Money there were not Assets, and being doubtful whether that Money would be adjudged Assets or not) several of the Creditors compounded with the Executors to take less than their full Debts; but in the Year 1684, that 4000*l.* was adjudged to be Assets, and the Executors were desirous that the Creditors might have their full Debts; but that was opposed by the Plaintiff (for that would have reduced the Surplus to little) and then insisted that most of the Creditors Debts were barred by the Statute of Limitations, and that they ought not to be paid at all; but the Defendants the Executors would not plead the Statute; and the two Points to be determined were,

1<sup>st</sup>. Whether the Creditors who had made Compositions for less than their full Debts, upon a Supposition of a Defect of Assets, should now be held to that Composition, when the Executors did not desire it?

2<sup>dly</sup>. Whether the Creditors should be sent to Law to recover their Debts, and the Plaintiff be ordered to make Defence in the Executors Place, and so be enabled to barr them, by pleading the Statute of Limitations, which the Executors would not do.

Lord Chancellor. I cannot set aside the Composition the Creditors have made, they have no Bill for that Purpose, and only come in before the Master, therefore they must abide by the Composition, but I can't consent that the Statute of Limitations should be pleaded, therefore their Debts must be paid.

*Bamfield*

*Bamfield versus Wyndham.*

Case 89.

**J.** S. devised all his Manors, &c. to Trustees, and their Heirs in Trust, immediately out of the Rents and Profits, or by Sale or Mortgage of the Premises, or any Part thereof, to raise and levy Money for Payment and Satisfaction of all his just Debts, with Interest and Charges of the Trustees; and if there should be a Surplus of Lands or Money, that to be to his Sisters jointly, and their Heirs, and all my Personal Estate to my dear Wife, whom I make sole Executrix.

One Devises his Real Estate for the Payment of his Debts, and the Overplus he gives to his Sisters, and devises his Personal Estate to his Wife, whom he makes Executrix. The Wife shall

Have the Personal Estate exempt from Debts.

The Question was, Whether the Wife should have the Personal Estate exempt from Debts, or whether that should be applied in the first Place towards Payment of them, for it was urged, that the Devise being to her, who was made Executrix, she shall take it only as Executrix.

My Lord *Chancellor* took Notice, that the Debts were more than the Personal Estate amounted to, and therefore he must mean, that she should have it exempt from Debts, or he must mean nothing; and there is in this Case no Room to make a different Construction.

*Anonymous.*

Case 90.

**A** Second Marriage Settlement is recited to be made in Consideration, that the Wife had parted with the former Settlement, which appeared to be made after the Marriage; but was recited to be made in Consideration of a Marriage Portion secured, but no Proof of any previous Agreement for such Settlement; yet the Court presumed it, and so the second not voluntary against Bond Creditors.

A Settlement after Marriage recited to be in Consideration of a Portion secured, shall be presumed to be in Pur-  
suance of an Agreement previous to the Marriage,

tho' no Proof of it, and so good against Bond Creditors.

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Small



Case 91.

*Small versus Lord Fitzwilliams.*

Equity won't  
relieve a-  
gainst the  
Terms of an  
Agreement,  
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ture of a Pe-  
nalty.

*A.* Sells an Estate to *B.* with general Covenants against Incumbrances, and a particular one against his Wife's Dower; then during the Life of *A.* and his Wife, *B.* articles to sell to the Defendant, and by Articles 'twas agreed, that the Defendant should retain 400 *l.* of the Purchase Money in his Hands for two Years, without Interest; and if in that Time the Wife of *A.* released her Dower, the Defendant to pay 400 *l.* else to retain it absolutely, *A.* dies, his Widow did not release her Dower within two Years, but brought her Writ of Dower, but died before a Recovery of it.

This Bill was to have the 400 *l.* paid, because, but in Nature of a Penalty to secure against the Dower, which is now at an End, and the Purchaser now secured, as well as if she had released within the two Years, or as if after the two Years expired, in which Case, as it was said, this Court would certainly have relieved.

On the other Side it was said, that this was not in Nature of a Penalty, but the Terms of the Agreement, and the Measure of the Satisfaction for the Contingent Incumbrance of Dower; and that the Court would not have relieved on her Release, if after two Years, much less here, where she was so far from releasing, that she brought her Writ of Dower; and if she had recovered it and lived several Years, the Defendant could have had only the 400 *l.* and could not have been permitted, at least, in Equity, as Assignee of *B.* to sue the Covenant of *A.* against his own Agreement in Writing, which took Notice of the Dower, and this Covenant and Agreement to retain the 400 *l.* as a Recompence for it; and as he run the Hazard of her living, he ought now to have the Advantage of her dying.

The Chancellor was of the same Opinion, that he could not be relieved, and decreed accordingly.

*Newton* versus Sir *Isaac Preston*, Executor of *Worts* and *Briggs*, & al'. Case 92.

THE Plaintiff had made a Mortgage in Fee to *Briggs*, and it was expressed to be in Consideration of 700 *l.* paid by *Briggs*. Sir *Isaac Preston*, who married the Widow and Executrix of *Worts*, pretended the Money was *Worts's*, and consequently, that he was intitled to it. Mortgage in Fee for 700 *l.* paid by *A.* but half of the Money was *B's*, yet for want of a Declaration

in Writing, *B.* was not admitted to read to the Proof of it, so as to create a Trust for him, being against the Statute of *Frauds*.

So this Bill was brought against the Mortgagor to redeem, and was a Bill of Interpleader against the Defendants, that they might dispute the Right of the Money amongst themselves, and that the Plaintiff might have his Estate again, paying what was due to the right Hand.

Sir *Isaac Preston* insisted by his Answer, that the Money was *Worts's* Money, and that he was intitled to it.

*Briggs*, by his Answer, swore, that the Money was his, and insisted upon the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*, against the Pretence of Sir *Isaac Preston*; but confessed there was only 350 *l.* lent; tho' it was intended at first that 700 *l.* should be taken up, and the other 350 *l.* should be employ'd to pay off a Mortgage on the Premises made to *Worts*, which was excepted in the Covenant against Incumbrances in this Mortgage.

Replications were filed, and Witnesses examined, and all Parties joined in the Examination, and the Question now was, Whether *Preston* should be admitted to read his Witnesses.

'Twas insisted upon for *Preston*, that they ought to be read, for that the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries* was not pleaded, and that this did not seem to be within the Letter of the Statute; that so were many other Cases, in which, notwithstanding, this Court had given Relief; as where a Mortgage was made by Way of absolute Conveyance, and a Defeazance prepared to be executed at the same



same Time ; and as soon as the Mortgage was sealed, the Mortgagee snatched it up, and refused to execute the Defeazance ; so if a Man employs his Steward to make a Purchase with his Money, and he take the Conveyance in his own Name, 'twas said, the Court had relieved in these Cases ; so if a Man makes an absolute Conveyance, but continues in Possession, and pays Interest, and takes Acquittances, and a Trust, that arises by Implication of Law, is excepted out of the Statute.

'Twas said for *Briggs*, that this imports to be a Mortgage for Money paid by *Briggs*, and they would prove the Money to be *Worts's*, upon which a Trust should follow for them ; and tho' a Trust, which Results by Implication of Law be excepted out of the Statute ; yet that Trust must arise upon the Face of the Deed itself ; and this Statute must take Place, as well in Equity as at Law, tho' a particular Person should suffer by it. In this Case, the Statute is insisted on only by way of Answer, and not by Plea, for it could not be pleaded here, this being an interpleading Bill, and only to redeem ; but to another Bill brought by *Sir Isaac Preston* for the Money, the Statute is pleaded ; if you enquire upon a Parol Proof, whose Money it is, you go directly against the Statute, and against the Case of *Kirk versus Webb*, where it was decreed you cannot make an Estate a Trust, by proving the Money to be such or such a one's ; and the Cases put on the other Side, are not like this, but depend upon Facts, as Acquittances, Possession, &c.

Justice *Powell*. I will not hinder you from reading, for tho' at Law it is not to be allowed, where a Jury may be inveigled by that, which is not proper Evidence ; yet here is no such Danger. So the Proofs were read, but he would not Decree the Trust.

## Lewkner versus Freeman.

Case 93.

**T**HE Plaintiff had brought his Action against Mr. Mountague for lying with his Wife, and 13 Jan. 1689, Mr. Mountague made a Conveyance of his Land to Trustees in Trust to pay his Debts mentioned in a Schedule annexed to the Deed, and such other Debts as he should appoint, within ten Days in *Hillary* Term following. The Plaintiff recovered 5000 *l.* Damages against Mr. Mountague, and brought this Bill to be relieved against this Deed, as Fraudulent against him, and made to defeat him of his Debt.

*A.* brings an Action against *B.* for lying with his Wife, after which *B.* Assigns his Estate to Trustees in Trust to pay the several Debts mentioned in a Schedule, and such other Debts as he should Name within ten

Days, then *A.* recovers 5000 *l.* Damage, and brings his Bill to set aside this Deed as fraudulent, and made to defeat him of his Recovery, but held not to be fraudulent; the Plaintiff being no Creditor at making the Deed, and his Debt recovered, after founded in *Maleficio*; but the others were real Creditors, which it was conscientious to prefer, but for the Surplus the Plaintiff may come in.

'Twas insisted upon for the Defendant, that this Deed is either void at Law against the Plaintiff, or it is not; if it be, the Bill ought to be dismiss'd, because the Plaintiff has Remedy at Law; if it be not void at Law, there is no Reason to relieve the Plaintiff here against the Defendants; the Creditors, who are Creditors, as well as the Plaintiff, and before him, for he was no Creditor at the making the Deed; and they are Creditors more to be favoured in a Court of Equity, than the Plaintiff; for they are Creditors for Money lent and paid, or Wares sold and delivered; and the Plaintiff has only a Demand, which founds in Damages for a Tort.

'Twas said for the Plaintiff, that if there had been but one Creditor, it might have been more proper to have gone to Law; but even then we might have come here, for this Court has a Concurrent Jurisdiction with the Common Law; but as this Case is, and as there are many Creditors, where some Debts may be good, and some bad, we must go on here, for where there are several Considerations of a Deed, and one be good, that

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will support the whole Deed at Law, but not so here, and there is no Difference between a Debt by Contract, and a Debt founded upon a Tort.

*Cur.* This Deed is not fraudulent, either in Law or Equity; for such Debts as are named in the Deed, the Plaintiff was no Creditor at the making of the Deed; and tho' it were made with an Intent to prefer his Real Creditors before this Debt, when it came afterwards to be a Debt; yet it was a Debt founded only in *Maleficio*; and therefore it was conscientious in him to prefer the other Debts before it; but the Plaintiff may have an Interest in the Surplus, after Payment of Debts, provided for by the Deed, let him declare, if he will Controvert the Debts, and come in upon the Surplus after the Debts mentioned in the Schedule, or appointed within 10 Days pursuant to it, are satisfied.

Case 94.

### *Loyd versus Carew.*

THE Decree made in the Court of *Chancery* in this Case, having been reversed by the House of Peers, 27 Jan. 1697, without any further Direction; and upon the Appellant's Petition, 24th March 1697, a further Order made by the Lords, that upon the Appellant's paying to the Respondent, or into the Court of *Chancery* for his Use, they should be put in Possession of the Estate.

How a Guardian is to be appointed.

The Appellants applying to the Court of *Chancery* for an Execution of that Order (the Respondent, who was an Infant, being gone beyond Sea, and his Mother, who was his Guardian in this Suit, being dead) the Court said, they could do nothing in the Matter, till a new Guardian were appointed, which, as it was said, could not be but by bringing the Infant into Court, or his praying a Commission to have a Guardian assigned him; and upon search the Appellants did not find any Precedents where a Guardian had been otherwise assigned; and tho' the Respondent's Father had, by his Will, named other Persons to be

be his Guardian, in Case of the Death of his Mother before his Age of 21; yet they (tho' they acted in other Matters) would not intermeddle in this.

Wherefore the Appellants petitioned the Lords, That receivers might be appointed to receive the Rents, and pay thereout to the Respondent the Interest of the 4000 l. and the Overplus to the Appellant.

Upon hearing the Petition, the Lords order'd Proof should be made in the Court of Chancery of the Mismanagement of the Estate; and that the Guardians named in the Will should be decreed to Name a fit Receiver, and if they would not, then the Chancellor to name one.

Accordingly an Order was afterwards made by the Master of the Rolls, in the Absence of the Lord Chancellor, for a Receiver to be appointed by a Master, who should give Security as usual.



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## Termino S. Hillarii,

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In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ,

Case 95.

*Willis versus Fineux.*

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Forfeiture by  
Levying a  
Fine, and  
making a  
Mortgage, for  
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**U***rsula Pierce* being seised in Fee of it to *Pierce Fineux*, the Father, for Life; and after to *Pierce Fineux* his Son in Fee; and by the same Will devised 400 *l.* to *Pierce Fineux* the Son to be paid at 21, and made *Pierce Fineux* the Father (who was her Brother and Heir) Executor, and died, leaving 2000 *l.* Personal Assets, and *Pierce Fineux* the Son an Infant.

Man recovered, yet the Mortgagee having no Notice of the Will, had a Decree to hold, during the Life of the Mortgagor; and the rather, for that the Mortgagor had made an Affidavit, that there was no Will, and that he was Heir at Law.

The Father spent all the Assets, and made a Lease for Years of the devised Lands to one *John Robb*, by Way of Mortgage, for securing 200 *l.* borrowed of him, and covenanted in the Deed to levy a Fine to the Mortgagee, for corroborating the Term, and declared, that the Use of the Fine should be to the Mortgagee for the Term, and after to *Fineux* the Father, and his Heirs; and a Fine was levy'd accordingly to *Robb*, and his Heirs; and the Mortgage was afterwards transferred to the Plaintiff's Testator *Fineux*.

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The Son came of Age, and brought his Ejectment upon the Forfeiture committed by his Father, by levying the Fine, and recovered; and now the Plaintiff brought this Bill to be relieved.

The Master of the *Rolls* decreed, that the Mortgagee should hold and enjoy against the Son, during the Life of the Father, and the Father to pay Costs, and be foreclosed, unless he paid the Money.

*Note,* The Father on making the Mortgage, had made Affidavit, that *Ursula Pierce* died Intestate, tho' he had proved her Will long before; and that he knew of no Incumbrances upon the Estate.

*Jackson versus Farrant.*

Case 98.

A Portion was devised to a Daughter to be raised out of a Real and Personal Estate, and to be paid at 21, the Daughter marries, and dies before 21, leaving a Child.

A Portion devised to a Daughter out of a Real and Personal Estate, to be

paid at 21, without saying, or Marriage; the Daughter marries, and dies before 21, yet by Reason of the Marriage it was then due, Marriage being the Cause of Portions.

'Twas insisted upon, That the Portion was not to be raised, nor was ever due, because she died before the Time of Payment; and the Marriage in this Case is no more to the Payment, than any other Thing would have been; and tho' it might have been more reasonable to have had the Testator to have limited it to be paid at 21, or Marriage, yet he has not so done; and the Court must judge according to what is done, and not according to what had been more reasonable to have been done.

*Cur.* Let an Account be taken of the Estate, and then the Court will give its Opinion, but my Lord Chancellor inclined strongly, that the Portion was payable, and said, the Reason of all the Cases go that Way; for they go upon this, that there being no Marriage, that did not happen, which was the Cause of the Portion.

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## Termino Paschæ,

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## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 97.

*Danby versus Lawson.*

If one be taken up on an Attachment, either in Process or in Execution after a Decree; yet in both Cases on his appearing before the Register, he is to be discharged, and to answer the Interrogatories at large, not in Custody; and if he be continued in Custody, the Court on Motion and appearing before the Register, will discharge him.

**D**EFENDANT who was a Feme Covert, was taken upon an Attachment for Nonperformance of a Decree, and the Officer refused to bring her before the Register to appear, but carried her to *Newgate*, and now she mov'd the Court that she might appear before the Register, and be discharged out of Custody; and the Question was, Whether by the Course of the Court she is to be discharged upon her appearing, or to answer in Custody?

It was agreed, that upon an Attachment in Process, she must be at large upon her appearing, but the Plaintiff's Council said it was otherwise in Execution; but all the Registers and ancient Practisers were of Opinion that it was the same in both Cases; and Mr. *Guidott* the Register cited the Case of one *Swain*, who was taken up for not paying 80*l.* and discharged upon appearing, and that upon Debate; but on an Attachment in Execution the Sheriff may insist upon Security proportionable to the Duty, but in Process it is only 40*l.* Penalty; and upon

upon appearing she is to be at large, and not to answer in Custody, tho' the Interrogatories be filed; and upon the Register's Certificate that the Party has appeared, the Sheriff is to deliver up the Bond.

The Master of the *Rolls* said there was undoubtedly a Difference between a Contempt to the Honour of the Court, and the Breach of a Decree; upon the first the Party is to answer *in Vinculis*, but not upon the latter; so she was discharged (but Interrogatories being filed) she was ordered to answer in four Days, or stand committed.

*Rockley versus Kelley.*

Case 98.

**A** Decree was made by the Commissioners of Charitable Uses, and Exceptions were taken to it, and they now came on before the Master of the *Rolls*, and he and most of the Barr were of Opinion, that by the Statute of *Eliz.* the Master of the *Rolls* may hear an Appeal, as the Chancellor may, and may affirm the Decree and give Costs, notwithstanding the Statute mentions only the Chancellor; but Mr. *Edwards* the Register said, it had always been an Exception, and therefore the Master of the *Rolls* would do nothing in it.

Whether Exceptions to a Decree of the Commissioners of Charitable Uses may be heard before the Master of the *Rolls*, by the Statute 43 *Eliz.* or only before the Chancellor.

*Shute verlus Shute.*

Case 99.

**T**HE Bill was to have Dower of her Husband's Real Estate, and a Share of his Personal Estate for herself and Child by him, he dying intestate; and Administration granted to another, because there was a Divorce between her Husband and her, *a mense & thoro.*

Divorce *a Mensa & thoro* if it continued during the Coverture; Equity won't assist the Wife in recovering her Dower,

but will leave her to the Law; neither will the Spiritual Court grant her Administration, nor Chancery decree her a distributive Share.

**Master of the *Rolls*.** As to the Dower, whether you are intitled to it, go to Law, there being no Impediment, and therefore as to that, the Bill must be dismiss'd.

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The granting Administration is in the Ecclesiastical Court, but the Distribution does more properly belong to this Court; but since in the Ecclesiastical Court she is not such a Wife as is intitled to Administration, I will decree no Distribution, therefore the Bill must be dismissed as to that too; and if you can repeal that Sentence, you will then be intitled to Distribution.

Note; Friday 26 of April, 1700, the Earl of Jersey, principal Secretary of State, was sent to fetch the Great Seal from my Lord Chancellor, but having no Warrant in Writing to demand it, my Lord Chancellor refused to deliver it; but the next Day the Secretary came with a Warrant. and then the Seal was delivered to him; and Sunday the 5th of May the Custody thereof was committed to the two Chief Justices and Chief Baron, with a special Commission to seal Writs; and they sat at Serjeant's-Inn the Monday following to seal Writs; and the Master of the Rolls sat in the Court of Chancery to hear Causes, by Virtue of a Commission, in the usual Form to hear Causes in Absentia Cancellarii; and afterwards the Custody of the Great Seal was given to Sir Nathan Wright, Knight, one of the King's Serjeants.

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# Term. S. Trinitatis,

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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

### *Ball versus Burnford.*

Case 100.

**E**dmond Anderson being Tenant for Life of Lands then as to part to his Wife for Life, for her Jointure, then to the Heirs Male of their two Bodies, acknowledges a Judgment to the Plaintiff; and then enters into Covenants with J. S. that he and his Wife would join in a Fine, which should be in the first Place to J. S. and his Heirs by Way of Mortgage, for securing a Sum of Money, then to the Husband for Life, then to the Wife for Life for her Jointure, then to the Sons of them two in Tail, then to the Daughters in Tail; and a Fine was levied accordingly: And there were other Incumbrances upon the Estate, prior to the first Settlement, which J. S. the Mortgagee, or the Defendant *Burnford* (for whom he was a Trustee) purchased in.

The Wife joins with the Husband in letting in an Incumbrance on her Jointure Lands, and barring the Estate Tail, and then limits the Uses to the Husband for Life, Remainder to the Wife for Life, Remainder to their Daughters: The Daughters are not Purchasers, so as to shut out a Judgment.

Creditor of the Husband's antecedent to the barring of the Estate Tail, but the Limitation to them voluntary, unless the Consideration of the Wife's parting with her Jointure, had extended also to the Limitation to the Daughters.

*Edmund Anderson* died without Issue Male, leaving two Daughters of that Marriage, who were likewise Defendants.

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Plaintiff brought his Bill to be let into the Benefit of his Judgment, paying the Mortgagee what he had really paid for that by the Fine; the Estate Tail was barred, and the Judgment let in, and this Settlement on the Daughters was voluntary.

'Twas admitted, that the Fine had barred the Estate Tail created by the first Settlement, but insisted that the Daughters were Purchasers by the Mother's joining to barr her Jointure, and letting in the Incumbrance; and that that Consideration did extend to the Estate of the Daughters as well as her own.

My Lord Keeper was of Opinion, that this might have been made a good Consideration for both; but it was not expressed in the Deed to be any Consideration for settling the Estate upon the Daughters, but was a voluntary Gift of the Wife to her Husband, and therefore the Daughters Estate must be taken to be voluntary; and so a Judgment Creditor ought to have the Assistance of this Court before them.

## Case 101.

*Spicer versus Hayward.*

Plaintiff had seduced his Wife's Sister, and had several Children by her, and gave her some Bonds for Payment of Money, as a Provision for her and her Children; and these Bonds being sued, he brought a Bill, suggesting that the Bonds were given for no valuable Consideration, but was dismiss'd with good Costs.

THE Plaintiff had seduced his Wife's Sister, and had several Children by her, and had given her some Bonds for Payment of Money which were intended as a Provision for her and the Children, and afterwards gave her a Weekly Allowance: One of the Bonds was put in Suit against him, and he brought this Bill, suggesting that the Bonds were not given for Money lent, or any valuable Consideration, and besides that they were satisfied (meaning the Weekly Payments) and upon the Defendant's Answer, and Plaintiff's Letters, the Case appeared *ut supra*.

My Lord Keeper said he could do no more against the Bail then decree the Payment of what was due on the Bonds for Principal and Interest, with good Costs, by a short

short Day, or else the Bill to be dismissed with Costs, and said 'twas a Pity he could do no more.

*Speering* versus *Lynn & ux' & Field & al'*.

Case 102.  
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**D**efendant gave Security in the usual Manner, to abide the Order on Hearing; and then a Decree was made, and a Report upon it, and the Recognisances sued against *Field* the Surety for Non-performance, who pleads in Abatement that there was no Order on Hearing; they reply, and set forth the Order on hearing the Report, the Order for confirming *Nisi*, and the Order for making that absolute; but Defendants rejoin, that in the Title of the two last Orders the Words *& ux'* were omitted, but the Body of them was right, and so they were not Orders in that Cause; yet on Motion the Title of the Orders was amended by Order *Nisi, &c.*

A Mistake in the Title of an Order amended, tho' to charge a Surety, who gave a Recognizance to abide the Order of Hearing.

It was now insisted that they ought not against the Defendant, who was but a Surety, and cited the Case of *Northcott* versus *Northcott* this Term, where on a Decree against Baron and Feme, all the Process of Contempt was right, till the Serjeant at Arms, and the Order for that was only against the Baron, and so was the Sequestration; and after the Husband's Death a Sequestration went against the Wife's Jointure, and it was moved to be amended, but the Party could not prevail.

On the other Side it was said, that this was only the Clerk's Mistake, and was to carry on the Justice of the Court, and therefore ought to be amended, and cited the Case of *Earl* and *Earl* this Term, where Affidavit was order'd to be filed after, to support a Sequestration, being really made before the Sequestration, and the Order of amending was made absolute in the principal Case.

*Proffer*



Case 103.

*Procter versus Cooper.*

Mortgagee enters, and the Profits are not sufficient to answer the Interest, yet the Arrears shall not carry Interest, but the Costs and Charges must.

**H**enry Gascoign, in 1641, made a Mortgage in Fee for 300*l.* to Gilbert Cooper, of Lands of about 30*l.* per Ann. in 1652, the Mortgagee took Possession, and in 1660 devised the Lands to Anthony Cooper; in 1686, the Devisee brought a Bill to foreclose, to which the Defendants pleaded a Settlement prior to the Mortgage, but that was found to be fraudulent; and the Wife of the Mortgagor had recovered a third Part as Dower against the Mortgagee, so that the Profits did not answer the Interest of the Money, which was then 8*l.* per Cent. and there had been Infancies on the Plaintiffs Part for several Years.

Master of the Rolls. The Plaintiff must redeem, and shall pay 8*l.* per Cent. only to the Time of the Ordinance of Parliament that reduced the Interest of Moneys; and tho' the Profits were not sufficient to answer the Intent, yet the Arrears cannot carry Interest, but the Costs and Charges must.

Case 104.  
2 Vern. 380.  
S. C.

*David Eyton versus John Eyton & Jane ux' & An. Eyton.*

Counterpart of a Settlement admitted sufficient Evidence of the Settlement, and a Conveyance decreed pursuant to it.

**T**homas Eyton had three Sons, Benjamin, Randall and David, and the 6th of October, 2 Car. 1. made a Settlement of all his Lands to the Use of himself for Life, Remainder to the Use of his Wife for Life, then as to Part to the Use of Benjamin and the Heirs Male of his Body; Remainder to Randall and the Heirs Male of his Body; Remainder to David and the Heirs Male of his Body: And as to the other Part, to Randall and the Heirs Male of his Body; Remainder to Benjamin and the Heirs Male of his Body; Remainder to David and the Heirs Male of his Body: And as to other Part, to David and the Heirs Male of his Body; Remainder to Benjamin and the

the Heirs Male of his Body; Remainder to *Randall* and the Heirs Male of his Body; with Remainder of the whole to *Thomas* in Fee.

*Benjamin* was a Lunatick; and had no Issue Male, and only two Daughters, *Jane* and *Anne* (Defendants) *Randall* died without Issue; *David* had Issue *David* the (Plaintiff) and *John* the Defendant who married *Jane* the eldest Daughter of *Benjamin*.

*David* exhibited his Bill against *Benjamin* and *John*, and *Jane* his Wife, setting forth, that *Thomas* his Grandfather had made some Settlement, whereby Part of the Estate did then belong to him, and charged that the Settlement was come to the Defendant's Hands, and prayed a Discovery of it.

*John* answers, and sets forth that he had such Settlement in his Custody, and sets forth the Limitations to be *ut supra*, but that he could not part with it, because he was advised it did belong to *Benjamin*.

The Cause rested upon this Answer several Years; and *Benjamin* died without Issue Male; and his said two Daughters were his Coheirs, and also Heirs to *Thomas* the Grandfather.

Then the Plaintiff mended his Bill, and made *Anne* a Party, and charged further, that in the Settlement by *Thomas*, there was a *Proviso*, that if any of his Sons died without Issue Male, so that the Land should come to any of the Brothers, they should pay to the Daughter of such Brother so dying, so much, and that he had tender'd, and was ready to pay according to the *Proviso*.

To this amended Bill *John* answers and says, he does not understand the Limitations of Settlements, and that he does not know whether he had set them forth right in his former Answer, that he knew of no other Settlement but what was mentioned in his former Answer, which he had several Years since delivered to *Benjamin*, and had no Copy of it.

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Jane



*Jane* his Wife answered by herself apart, and *Anne* answered, and by their Answer insist upon their Title, as Heirs to *Benjamin*, and deny that they ever saw or heard of any Settlement made by *Thomas* the Grandfather.

The Plaintiff had renewed a Counterpart of the Deed of Settlement, and there was a *Proviso* as was mentioned in the amended Bill; and there was some Proof that some Part of the Land had been sold by *Randall*, and enjoyed accordingly, but no other Proof of the Settlement.

At the Hearing it was insisted, that the Husband's Answer, whereby he had confessed the Settlement was no Evidence against his Wife (being in a Matter of Inheritance) and that without other Evidence of the Settlement they could not make Use of this, which they pretended to be a Counterpart, yet the Master of the Rolls decreed a Conveyance to the Plaintiff, and an Account of the Rents and Profits; and on Appeal this Decree was confirmed by my Lord Keeper, who thought, as this Case was, the Counterpart would of itself be Evidence enough at Law of the Settlement. *Sed Quære de hoc.*

Case 105.

2 Vern. 401.  
S. C.

A Feme Covert being intitled to 400*l.* on a Mortgage in Fee, Husband articles to lay out this Money in a Purchase of Lands to be settled as a Provision for him and his Wife, and their Issue;

the Wife dies without Issue; the Husband takes Administration to her, and by Will devises this Money to the Plaintiffs before Payment of it, and dies. On a Bill brought against the Administrator *de bonis non, &c.* of the Wife, held there could be no Relief, the Law being with the Defendants. This Money belonged to the Administrator *de bonis non, &c.* of the Wife, and is distributable amongst her next of Kin.

### *Burnett* versus *Kinaston.*

THE Plaintiff's Father had married the Defendant's Aunt for his second Wife, and she was interested in several Mortgages for several Sums of Money, amounting in all to 3200*l.* (which was her Fortune) among which, one was a Mortgage in Fee for 1400*l.* from her Brother the Defendant's Father; after Marriage, the Plaintiff (who was a Soldier of Fortune) executed Articles

articles between himself of the one Part, and some of his Wife's Relations of the other Part, whereby he agreed that he would take but 200 *l.* of his Wife's Fortune to his own Use, and that the remaining 3000 *l.* of his Wife's Fortune should be invested in a Purchase of Lands which should be settled to the Use of himself for Life, then to the Use of his Wife for Life, then to the first and other Sons of the Marriage in Tail Male, with a Term to Trustees to raise Portions for younger Children; then to the Heirs of the Body of the Wife, and then to the right Heirs of the Husband.

The Wife was no Party to these Articles, and soon after died without Issue, so that all the Remainders mentioned in the Articles to the Husband's Remainder in Fee were spent, and the Husband survived and took Administration to her, and came to an Account with *Kinnaston* the Mortgagor for the 1400 *l.* and he promised to pay the Money within three Months, and in Consideration thereof had an Abatement of 50 *l.* but he did not pay the Money at the Time; and before it was paid *Burnett* the Husband died, but before his Death made his Will, and thereby devised this Money (after Debts paid) to be equally divided amongst the Plaintiffs, who were his Children by his first Wife.

Administration *de bonis non, &c.* to the second Wife was granted to the Defendant *Mills*, and the Question was, Whether these Articles made by *Burnett* after his Marriage, were such an Alteration of the Property of the Wife's Money, as that the Husband had Power to dispose of it by his Will, or whether it belonged to the Administrator *de bonis non, &c.* of the Wife, and was to be distributed amongst the next of Kin?

For the Plaintiffs it was argued, that tho' this Mortgage were an Estate of Inheritance in the Wife, yet being but a Security for Money, 'tis in Consideration of Equity a Chattel Interest only, and shall go to the Executor, and not to the Heir, and is therefore disposeable by the Husband without his Wife, as other Chattel Interests



Interests of hers are ; and Nobody can deny but that a Husband can assign over or release a Thing in Action of his Wife's ; and the Wife's Consent or joining in the Articles would not have alter'd the Case, for of the Personal Things of the Wife, the Husband has a disposing Power without her Consent ; and if this be not a good Disposition, then neither the Husband nor Wife, or both, can after Marriage dispose of a Personalty of the Wife ; and whereas it has been said on the other Side, that there is a Difference between a Temporary Interest and an Absolute Interest, and in this Case the Interest of the Husband is only a Temporary Interest, that Distinction is of no Force where the Disposition is made during the Continuance of such Temporary Interest, as it was in this Case ; and it's not the same as if it had been a Disposal by Will, which 'tis urged would not have been good, for there the Interest of the Husband is spent, and the Wife in by Survivorship before his Will can take Place ; as if there be two Joint-Tenants, and one devises his Moiety, and dies, this Court will not help against the Survivor ; but if in his Life-time he had agreed to assign over, though voluntarily, this Court would have made it good.

On the other Side it was urged that they had the Law with them, and no Reason for a Court of Equity to interpose ; that the Articles were after Marriage, and voluntary, and that the Wife had done nothing to bind herself ; that the Husband, notwithstanding the Articles, might have sold or assigned ; or if the Articles would have bound him, yet they could not bind his Wife, for he can only bind her by executing his legal Power, *viz.* by releasing or receiving the Money ; and his Power was but Temporary, and not Absolute, and he had made no farther Disposition during the Time he was Administrator to his Wife ; that notwithstanding these Articles, the Wife must have joined in Suit for this Duty, and the Benefit of it wou'd have survived to her ; and the legal Interest of a Feme Covert cannot be bound, but by a

Fine, nor the equitable Interest without a Decree. And Major General Egerton's Case was cited, where a Mortgage went to a Wife who survived; and a Case where it was said that a Legacy being devised to a Feme Covert, her Husband afterwards became a Bankrupt, and the Commissioners assigned over this Legacy, and then the Bankrupt died, and decreed the Wife surviving should have the Legacy.

Lord Keeper. If a Husband assigns a Bond of his Wife's for a valuable Consideration, this Assignment will not bind the Wife if she survives; and so 'tis in this Case, for the Wife claims *Paramount*; if one Jointenant grants a Rent-Charge, can the Grantee come against the Survivor to make it good? Surely no: Perhaps an Agreement to assign might be otherwise, tho' I think it would not: Here is nothing but the Act of the Husband without any Consideration, and the Plaintiffs have no Title, let the Bill be dismissed.



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In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 106.

*Foster versus Foster.*

Devisee of a  
Rent Charge  
of 100 l. per  
Ann. to be  
issuing out  
of the Rents  
and Profits of  
Lands which  
were worth  
but 50 l.

with Power of Distress, enters into the Lands, and by Will devises the Arrears of the said Rent-Charge, the Devisee shall recover in Equity.

**W**illiam Forster by Will devises an Annuity of 100 l. per Ann. to A. his Father, for Life, to be issuing out of the Rents and Profits of *Black Acre*, and to be paid half Yearly, with Clause of Distress, and devises *White Acre*, and also *Black Acre* charged with the said Annuity to the Defendant, his Nephew, and his Heirs.

A. entered into *Black Acre*, and received the Profits till his Death (which was five Years) not being sufficient to Answer above 50 l. per Ann. of the Annuity, and then by Will reciting the Annuity in Arrear, devises the said Arrears to the Plaintiff his Wife, and made her Executrix; and she insisted, that this was also a Charge on *White Acre* by the last Clause (but that was given up) at least *Black Acre* was chargeable, and the Plaintiff ought to hold over, because the 100 l. per Ann. was to be satisfied before the Defendant had any Thing.

On the other Side, it was said, that the Devise of the Annuity out of the Rents and Profits, &c. could at most amount but to a Devise of the Land itself for Life; tho'

tho' if it had been a Sum in Grofs, it would be otherwise, that it was a legal Charge, and the Plaintiff's Remedy was by Distrefs, if that was not barred by A's Entry, which was his own Fault.

But it was decreed for the Plaintiff; for his Intent was plain, that his Father should have 100 l. *per Ann.* for his Provision, that a Devise of the Rents of Lands is the same as a Devise of the Lands themselves; and it's the same Thing also as to the Profits, and there can be no more issuing out of Lands than the whole Value, and the Court will decree a Sale of the Lands to raise a Sum devised out of Lands for Children at such an Age, if the Profits will not do it, and the Devise of *Black Acre* (charged with the said Annuity) charges it in his Hands by the said Words, for it could not be charged before.

*Welby versus Thornagh, & Ux. & econt.* Case 107.

**W**ELBY's Bill was to have the Defendants (the Wife being Aunt and Heir to Sir *Richard Earl*) join in a Sale of his Lands, which he had devised to the Plaintiff (his Uncle by his Mother's Side) charged with Payment of his Debts. *Thornagh's* Bill was to set aside the Will, as obtained by Fraud and Circumvention, and to have the Deeds and Writings.

The Court was clear of Opinion, that a Will, as well as a Deed may be set aside in this Court for Fraud and Circumvention; but that no such Thing was made out in this Case, but the Heir insisting on it, it was directed to an Issue *deviseavit vel non*; and the Bills to be retained, in the mean Time; my Lord Keeper was also clear of Opinion, that if a Verdict went for the Will, the Heir, tho' a Feme Covert, might be decreed to levy a Fine, and join in the Sale.

A Will as well as a Deed may be set aside in Chancery for Fraud or Circumvention.



Case 108.

*Moyse versus Gyles.*

One Jointenant makes a Deed of Gift of his Moiety to his Wife, as a Provision for her, and with Intent to sever the Jointure; yet being made to the Wife herself, and so void in Law, and without Consideration, Equity cannot relieve.

**T**WO Jointenants of a Church Lease, one whereof being taken Sick in a Journey, to sever the Jointure, and provide for his Wife, sends for the School-Master of the Town (who was the only Person he could get to come at him) and acquainted him with his Intentions, and desired him to prepare an Instrument for that Purpose, the School-Master drew a kind of Deed of Gift of the Lease from the sick Man to the Wife, which he executed, and died; and this being to the Wife, and void in Law, she would have made it good here, but was dismissed, being voluntary, and without Consideration.

Case 109.  
2 Ven. 383.

S. C.

Lessee of a Prebend makes an under Lease, and the Lease being far spent, and the Lessee refusing to surrender, in Order to enable him to renew, tho' he offer'd

*Colchester versus Arnot.*

**L**ESSEE of a Prebend makes an under Lease, and the Lease being pretty far spent, he requested the Tenant to surrender, to enable him to renew, and offered to give any Security to grant him a new Lease for so many Years as he had to come in his old one; but the Tenant was obstinate, and would not, unless his Landlord comply'd with some Demands of his, upon which he brought this Bill to enforce him to a Compliance. Security to make up the Tenant's Lease again; the Lessee brings his Bill to compel a Surrender, but is dismissed, there being no Agreement in the Lease for that Purpose.

But my Lord *Keeper* said, tho' it were a Benefit to the Plaintiff, and no Prejudice to the Defendant; yet there being no Agreement in the Deed for that Purpose, he could do nothing in it, and likned it to Bills of Conformity, and Bills for inclosing a Common, in which Cases, if one will stand out, they cannot be decreed.

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*How versus Nicholl.*

Case 110.

**A** Man had a Term in gors, and then purchased the Inheritance, and the Term is declared to attend the Inheritance; then he becomes Receiver of the King's Revenue; he is liable from the Time of his becoming Receiver, and the King shall have the Benefit of the Term; but if the Term had been Mortgaged to one, who had no Notice of its attending the Inheritance, he should have held it against the King.

*Mitchell versus Eades.*

Case 111.

2 Vern. 391.

S. C.

**A** Sea Captain being out of Service, makes a Letter of Attorney irrevocable to the Plaintiff, to receive all such Wages and Pay as shall after become due to him; then he goes into Service, and dies, there being at the Time of his Death Wages due to him: The Defendant, as principal Creditor, takes out Administration to him; and the Plaintiff, who was a Creditor likewise, brought this Bill to have an Account and Payment of the Wages, and likewise to have a Satisfaction for his Debt.

cannot compel an Account of Wages, if any due at making the Letter of Attorney, much less of what after became due; but the Administrator must pay according to the Course of Law.

The Master of the *Rolls* was of Opinion, that tho' there had been Wages due at making of the Letter of Attorney; yet he could not have decreed the Wages to the Plaintiff against the rest of the Creditors, much less as this Case is; therefore decreed the Parties to go to an Account, and the Defendant to pay according to the Course of Law, but dismiss'd the Bill as to the demand of Wages.



Case 112.

2 Vern. 382.  
S. C.

One having granted a Rent-Charge with Clause of Distress, and Covenant that the Land should be liable to the Distress, dies, and the Rent-Charge being greatly in Arrear, and no Distress to be had, and the Land Unrented; yet the Court would not

Decree the Grantor to set out a Distress, or that the Grantee should hold the Land till satisfied, nor vary the Agreement of the Parties.

*Champernoon versus Gubbs.*

**A** Rent Charge was granted the Plaintiff, with Clause of Distress, and a Covenant in the Deed, that the Land should be liable to the Distress; the Grantor died; the Defendant, who thereby became Owner of the Land, was an Infant, and his Mother, under whose Guardianship he was, suffered the Rent to run greatly in Arrear, and several Suits were brought at Law; and by Reason of the frequent Distresses and Suits, it was difficult to get Tenants for the Lands, and the best was not made of them, nor so much Cattle kept on the Lands as else would have been; and after the Defendant came of Age, the Rent for the Reasons aforesaid came more and more in Arrear.

The Plaintiff pretending, that no sufficient Distress could be had on the Land, brought this Bill to have a Decree to hold the Land till he should be satisfied; and that the Land might be decreed to stand charged with the Arrears and growing Rent; but the Bill was dismissed, because it did not appear, that there was any Fraud in the Defendant to prevent the Plaintiff of his Legal Remedy, which might intitle this Court to give him another.

The Plaintiff petitioned for a Re-hearing, and the 17th of July the Cause was heard before the Lord Keeper.

'Twas said for the Plaintiff, that if the Rent had been granted without any Clause of Distress, or other Remedy at Law, he might have had Relief here; and shall we be in a worse Condition, because some Remedy at Law is provided, tho' not a sufficient one, and the Case of Dr. Thorndyke and Allington, 26 Jan. 18 Car. 2. Morgan versus Cough, and Morgan versus Heron, were cited, where there was a Devise of a Rent, and no Remedy at Law,

and Possession of the Land was decreed here; and 'twas said, where a Bond has been entered into, with Condition to convey Lands, this Court will Decree the Conveyance, tho' the Parties have agreed the Measure of the Damages.

On the other Side, it was urged, that the Cases cited were not like this here; you ask to alter the Nature of the Thing which is a Rent, and a certain Remedy for it by Distress; and you ask the Land, instead of the Rent; and if you would have us decreed to set out a Distress sufficient to Answer all the Arrears; it is the same Thing as a Decree against us to pay the Money which we cannot in Justice be decreed to do.

My Lord Keeper continued his former Opinion, and cited the Case of the Earl of Warrington versus Langham, against the Plaintiff, and affirmed the Decree.

*Cutterback versus Smith.*

A Man devised Lands to A. and B. in Trust to be sold for the Payment of his Debts, and makes the same Persons Executors, and the only Question was, Whether Bond Debts should have a Preference, or all Debts be paid *Pari Passu*? The Difference was taken, when the same Persons that are Trustees to sell the Lands, are Executors likewise, and where not for in the former Case, after the Land is sold, it is Assets, even at Law; and therefore to decree them to pay otherwise than according to the legal Course, would be to decree a *Devastavit*.

My Lord Keeper took Time to consider of it, and afterwards delivered his Opinion, that Bond Debts must be preferred, and the 23 December 1700, at Powis-House, in the Case of Bickman versus Freeman, was a like Decree and Difference.

Case 113.

2 Vern. 295.

S. C.

Where Lands are devised to Executors to be sold for Payment of Debts, the Money becomes legal Assets, and Debts shall be paid in a Course of Administration.

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Case 114. *Sir John Champant versus Lord Ranelagh.*

**L**ORD Ranelagh was Vice Treasurer of Ireland, and Sir John Champant was his Deputy Receiver there, and my Lord was indebted to him upon his Account, and gave him a Bond for the Money; and it was then agreed between them, that three Fourths of what he should receive for my Lord's Fees, should be applied in Discharge of the Bond; but afterwards my Lord drew Bills on him, for Sums which amounted to more than all the Fees he had received, and Sir John paid the Bills; and the Question was, Whether this should be adjudged a Waiver of the Agreement by my Lord, or whether should be adjudged a Folly in Sir John to have paid these Bills; and therefore he to be allowed no Interest on the Bond, because he might have applied this Money to discharge the Bond.

My Lord Keeper was of Opinion, that the drawing these Bills, and paying of them, did not amount to any Waiver or Alteration of the Agreement; and therefore Sir John's Receipts must sink the Interest upon the Bond.

*Note,* The Bond was made in England, and sent over to my Lord's Correspondent in Ireland, and the Money to be paid there, and it was not mentioned what Interest should be paid; and my Lord Keeper was of Opinion, that it should carry *Irish* Interest.

A Bond made in England and sent over to the Obligees in Ireland, the Money to be paid there, held it should carry *Irish* Interest.

Case 115.  
2 Vern. 395.  
S. C.

*Harvey versus East-India Company.*

After Service of a Writ of Execution of a Decree against a Corporation, the next Process,

**T**HE Plaintiff had a Decree against the Defendants for a great Sum of Money, and served them with a Writ of Execution in the usual Form; and they

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is a *Distingas*, and after that a Sequestration, which being once awarded, they can never after come and pray to enter their Appearance, as they might have done on the *Distingas*, which Issues for that very Purpose, to compel them to appear; but the appearing being past, the Process must go on, because the Appearance being only in Favour of Liberty, can be of no Service to a Corporation, which cannot be committed.

not performing the Decree, a *Distringas* (the next Process against a Corporation) was awarded, and 40 s. Issues returned, and after, on a Motion, a Sequestration was ordered *nisi*, &c. and now they pray'd to enter their Appearance with the Register upon the *Distringas*, and to discharge the Sequestration.

'Twas urged, this might well be done, because it was only a Contempt, from which a Corporation ought to have Liberty, and an Opportunity to clear themselves, as well as a Common Person; and tho' they cannot Answer the Contempt on Oath, nor be committed if found against them; yet there is no Reason why they should not have an Opportunity to defend themselves. A Peer shall contest a Contempt, and must enter his Appearance, yet he shall not Answer upon Oath (unless, perhaps, for a Contempt against the Peace) and if condemned, he cannot be committed; but a Sequestration goes absolutely, and a Corporation must Answer Interrogatories, as they answer a Bill, *viz.* under their Common Seal, and cited the Cases of *Danby* versus *Lawson*, *Foster* versus *Christ's Hospital*, *Hill. 11 W. 3.* and a Case where an Appearance was enter'd on a *Distringas* in Process for want of an Answer: And a Sequestration must not go, right or wrong, and a Corporation has no other Way to defend themselves against the Sequestration, but this.

It was likewise urged, that the very Writ of *Distringas* is to distrain them to appear, and mentions to be, only because they cannot be attached by their Persons; yet now they would not have us appear, and the Court is *ad faciend.* & *recipiend.* and 'tis absurd to say, that Judgment should be given against us, without having an Answer.

On the other Side, 'twas said, that the Examination for a Contempt was for the Benefit of the Plaintiff, and is to be upon Oath; which, if such Appearances were admitted to Corporations, would be lost to the Plaintiff; that the admitting of such Appearances is only in Favour of Liberty, and not necessary to Corporations, which cannot



be committed; that against a private Person, the Plaintiff shall have Body, Lands, and Goods; against a Corporation, Sequestration only; and as the Plaintiff has many disadvantages against a Corporation, 'tis reasonable he should lose no Advantage, and as a common Person has Advantage by appearing, so has the Plaintiff too; for if found in Contempt, the next Process is a Commitment, which else would be a Proclamation, and then a Commission of Rebellion, &c. and the Cases cited are of very little Moment; for these are of Appearances said to be enter'd, in Pursuance of an Order, so not of Course; and it does not appear any Notice was taken of them in Court; but they passed *sub silentio*; that they have now a proper Time to defend themselves upon this Order, for the Sequestration is order'd only *nisi Causa*; and they might show for Cause, that they have paid the Money, or performed the Decree (if the Truth be so.)

*Cur.* The Defendant's Precedents are of no Weight, because in all of them, natural Persons, as well as a Corporation, were Defendants; and the Orders being in general Terms, may be reasonably expounded to mean only the first, and also are all *ex parte*, and absolute, the Party is not to be heard upon any subsequent Process, why more upon this? the Appearance enter'd of common Persons is in Favour of Liberty; and the Plaintiff has a mutual Benefit, which here he cannot have, nor can the Defendants lose their Liberty. If you had come and shown any Irregularity, that might have been Cause to Discharge the Order; but since you do not, let the Order be made absolute.

Then they pray'd a further Day to be heard, which being granted, they appear'd, and made several Objections to the Service.

1<sup>st</sup>. That there were several Variances between the Writ of Execution, and the Copy of it left with the Company; but upon reading of them, the Variances appeared not to be material, so that Objection was over-ruled.

2dly. For that the Writ of Execution was not of the whole Deeree, for the Decree *quod computet* was left out, and nothing in, but the Decree to pay the Money stated by the Master's Report; but that was over-ruled, for that it's not necessary the Writ of Execution should contain any more.

3dly. 'Twas objected, that the Service was upon the Governor of the Company only, who has no Power over the Company's Cash, and could not pay the Money decreed; and 'twas said, the Service ought to have been on the Committee; but this was likewise over-ruled, for then, if the Committee would not meet, or not admit the Party in to serve them, there could be no Service, so the Order was made absolute.

*Barret versus Wells & econt'.*

Case 116.

**T**HE Plaintiff's Testator lent *William Wells* 500 *l.* upon Mortgage for 1000 Years, afterwards the Mortgagor devised the mortgaged Premises to the Defendant's Father, for ever, and his Heirs lawfully begotten, upon Condition, that he pay all my Debts, so that none may be a sufferer by me.

Lands in Mortgage running thro' three Descents, and the Person intitled to redeem, not knowing how much was due

for the Interest, is informed by the Heir of the Mortgagee, that it was considerably less than really it was; whereupon he settles it upon his Marriage, as Subject only to so much; those who derive under this Settlement, shall redeem accordingly, without being obliged to pay the Sum concealed for the Fraud.

The Devisee lets the Interest run in Arrear, and there being 10 *l.* due for Interest, gave Bond for it to the Plaintiff, and afterwards there being 100 *l.* more due for Interest, gave Bond for it, and likewise for 100 *l.* more due for Interest; afterwards the Devisee of the mortgaged Premises died.

The Defendant his Son and Heir, being about to marry the Daughter of one *Parry*, he went to the Plaintiff to enquire what was due on the Mortgage; and the Plaintiff being desired not to discover the Bonds by the Defendant's Mother, and as it was believed with the

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Defendant's Privity, for fear of spoiling the Match, she said, there was only 500*l.* due, and that all Interest was paid, and that upon Payment of that, she would deliver up the Mortgage.

*Parry*, upon that agrees to marry his Daughter to the Defendant, and Articles were made for settling these mortgaged Premises upon the Marriage, and the Marriage took Effect; and now this Bill being brought to fore-close, and a cross Bill to redeem.

The Defendant insisted, he ought to redeem without paying the 200*l.* secured by the Bonds, for that, as it was said, the taking the Bonds was Payment of the Interest, and had turned the Debt into another Plight, and the Mortgage was thereby discharged of it; or however, that the Plaintiff having informed *Parry*, that there was only 500*l.* due upon the Mortgage, and in Consideration of that, he married his Daughter, and had the Lands settled, she shall not now be admitted to charge the Lands, with any more than she then insisted to be due; and that the Devisee of the mortgaged Premises to the Defendant's Father, was an Entail, and so not chargeable with the Bonds.

On the other Side, it was said, that the taking the Bonds for the Interest, was only as a farther Security, and did not discharge the Land; and that the Devise was a Fee-Simple, and not an Entail.

The Master of the *Rolls* was of that Opinion, as to the first, and said, he inclined to be so as to the other; but was of Opinion, that the Discourse of *Barret* to *Parry* had discharged the Lands from being liable to more than what she then pretended to be upon them, and so decreed a Redemption upon Payment of the 500*l.* with Interest from that Time, and without Costs.

*Hitchin* versus *Hitchin*.

Case 117.

*Samuel Hitchin*, the Plaintiff's Grandfather, made a Mortgage for 500 Years, which was satisfied, and after his Death assigned to *Sarah* his Relict (who was intitled to Dower of his Estate) and died, leaving *Gyles*, the Plaintiff's Father, his Son and Heir; who being indebted made his Will, and thereby devised several Lands to his Wife *Sylvestra*, but did not mention it to be in Satisfaction of her Dower, and devised the Residue of his Lands to his Executors till his Debts paid.

Devise of Lands to a Man's Wife, who was intitled to Dower, without saying in Recompence or Satisfaction of her Dower, held to be a voluntary Gift, and no Barr of Dower.

*Sylvestra* brought her Writ of Dower, and recovered her Dower, and 220*l*. Damages, the Heir brought his Bill to be relieved against the Recovery, and she brought her Bill to discover the Profits, and to set the Term out of the Way.

'Twas urged, that this Devise must be in Satisfaction of Dower, and that the Heir might have helped himself at Law, by setting up the Mortgage against her; and tho' he had omitted to do that, yet he ought to be help'd here, and the rather because she is a Plaintiff likewise, and comes for the Aid of this Court to be help'd against the Mortgage Term.

Lord Keeper. *Sylvestra's* Bill is only against the Trustees of the Father, to have an Account of the Real and Personal Estate, and to discharge the Debts; you don't pretend but a Dowress is to be relieved against a satisfied Mortgage, so she must in this Case: You don't insist upon *Lady Radnor's* Case to be against it. The Heir must be relieved against the Damages till the Debts paid; let a Master see when sufficient was raised to pay the Debts and Defalkt out of the Recovery; the Devise is not to be looked upon as any Recompence or Barr of Dower, but a voluntary Gift.

Where Equiry will remove a satisfied Mortgage against the Heir in Favour of a Dowress.

Note; It seems the Defalcation out of the Recovery must be in Proportion to the Profits *Sylvestra* receives on her being admitted to the Term.

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*Johnson*



Case 118. *Johnson & ux' vers'us Northey & al', and Blake & al' vers' Johnson & ux' & al'.*

Decree to set aside a Deed in 1638, whereby a Deed in 1684 took Place, being signed and inrolled; and after that the Lands in the last Deed being devised to be sold for Payment of Debts, and a Bill brought to have them sold accordingly; and to have the Benefit of the first Decree has opened that Decree again, and left the Defendants at Liberty to controvert it over again.

THE Lady *Henrietta Wentworth*, who was Daughter and Heir of the Lord *Wentworth*, and Granddaughter and Heir of the Earl of *Cleveland*, by a Deed in 1684, settled her Estate after her own Death upon her Mother the Lady *Philadelphia Wentworth* and her Heirs; but this Deed was secretly made, and always kept by her: Afterwards she made her Will, and thereby devised the Estate to her Mother for Life. Afterwards when she lay on her Death-bed, she called for the Deed, which till then she had kept privately by her, and delivered it to her Mother, and told her she gave her all she had, and soon after died.

After her Death, the Lady *Lovelace*, who was Aunt and Heir to Lady *Henrietta*, and also Heir to both the Earl of *Cleveland* and Lord *Wentworth*, pretended a Title to the Estate, under a Settlement made in 1638, and otherwise.

Thereupon the Lady *Philadelphia* brought a Bill against her to discover her Title, and to have the Settlement delivered up, as being revoked.

Lady *Lovelace* by her Answer insisted on her Title, under the said Settlement of 1638, and mentioned, that the Deed of 84 was unduly obtained, or was a Trust for Lady *Henrietta*, and consequently for her who was her Heir, and that the Will was not fairly gained.

In this Cause Witnesses were examined, and Publication passed, and the Cause heard; and a Decree by Default against Lady *Lovelace*, that the Settlement of 38 should be delivered up, and a perpetual Injunction *nisi, &c.* and no Cause being shown, that Decree was made absolute, and signed and inrolled; then

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Lady *Lovelace* died, leaving the Lady *Johnson* her Granddaughter and Heir.

The Lady *Philadelphia* made her Will, and thereby devised all her Estate, (being the Estate mentioned to have been before settled upon her by her Daughter) to the Defendant *Northey*, Sir *Robert Howard* and Sir *William Smith* (both since dead) and their Heirs in Trust, to be sold for the Payment of her Debts and Legacies, and the Surplus to be equally divided between them.

The Creditors and Legatees of Lady *Philadelphia* brought a Bill against Sir *Henry Johnson* and his Wife, and *Northey* the surviving Trustee, in Lady *Philadelphia's* Will, to have the Benefit of the Decree obtain'd by her against the Lady *Lovelace*, and that the Estate might be sold, and their Debts and Legacies paid.

Sir *Henry Johnson* and his Wife brought their Bill upon their Title, under the Settlement in 38, or as Heir at Law, and to have the Deed of 84, and the Will of Lady *Henrietta* set aside.

Publication passed in the Creditor's Cause, and then *Northey* put in a Plea to the Bill of the former Decree, and other Matters; but that Plea, upon the arguing, being ordered to stand for an Answer, the Cause proceeded, and Sir *Henry Johnson* examined several Witnesses as to the Deed of 84, and Will of Lady *Henrietta*.

The Causes coming now to be heard, it was insisted on by Sir *Henry Johnson*, that the Creditor's Bill being to have the Benefit of the Decree obtained against Lady *Lovelace*, he was not bound by that Decree, tho' signed and inrolled, but was at Liberty to controvert all that Matter over again, before the Court could decree the Execution of that former Decree.

My Lord *Keeper* seemed to be of Opinion, that the Creditors, who are in Nature of *Cestui que Trust*, having brought their Bill to execute the Decree, had opened it, and at last, after long Debate, a Trial was directed, if the Deed of 38 were revoked or not.

*Bickham*



Case 119.

*Bickham versus Freeman.*

**T**HE Case was no more than this; a Man devises Lands to be sold for Payment of his Debts, and makes the Devisees Executors; and the Question was, Whether the Debts should be paid in Proportion, or according to the Course of Administration.

My Lord Keeper having taken Time to consider of it, till this Day, now delivered his Judgment, that they must be paid in a Course of Administration, because where the same Person is Executor and Trustee, the Land when sold is legal Assets, otherwise; when the Trustee is Executor, there they shall be paid in Proportion.

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IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Palmer versus Danby.*

Case 120.

**I**N this Case one Question was, Whether when an Estate descends to an Infant, subject to Incumbrances, the Guardian must or may (without the Direction of a Court of Equity) apply the Profits to discharge the Incumbrances, or the Interest of them? Or whether they should not be accounted Personal Estate, and so the Administrator of the Infant intitled to them, if the Infant die during his Minority.

A Guardian during the Infant's Minority, may, without the Direction of a Court of Equity, pay off a Mortgage, and the Interest of any other Real Incumbrance.

The Court held, that the Guardian might without the Direction of the Court, pay the Interest of any Real Incumbrance, and the Principal of a Mortgage, because that is a direct and immediate Charge upon the Land; but not any other Real Incumbrance.

Another Question was, Whether a Dowress has a Right to redeem a Mortgage? And my Lord *Keeper* declared his Opinion to be, that she had, paying her Proportion of the Mortgage Money, and to hold over for the rest; and distinguished it from Lady *Radnor's* Case, for there was a satisfied Term, and the Husband had a Power to barr her, by assigning over the Term, which he did; but here it's only a Mortgage, and against the Heir.

A Dowress has a right to redeem a Mortgage, and hold over till satisfy'd.

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*Bromley*



Case 121.

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S. C.

One settles  
his Estate on  
Trustees, to  
be sold for  
Payment of  
his Debts,  
with Power of  
Revocation;  
then he mar-  
ries a Daugh-  
ter, gives her  
a Portion,  
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nents, that the Husband shall have the Estate 1500*l.* cheaper than any other; after he by Will re-  
vokes the Settlement, gives the Husband 1500*l.* and dies; this Legacy held to be in Satisfaction of  
the 1500*l.* secured by the Settlement.

*Bromley versus Jeffereys.*

**A** Case was ordered to be made, and was thus; Sir Rowland Berkley having a considerable Real Estate, and being much indebted, and having no Son, but several Daughters, made a Settlement of his Estate on himself for Life, then to Trustees and their Heirs in Trust, to sell, and to apply the Money for Payment of Debts, and other Purposes mentioned in the Deed, with a Power of Revocation.

Afterwards he married one of his Daughters to the Plaintiff Bromley, and gave a considerable Portion with her, and entred into a Deed, wherein, after the Recital of this Settlement, he covenanted, that if Mr. Bromley should be minded to purchase his Estate of his Trustees, they should sell it him 1500*l.* cheaper than any other Purchaser would *bona fide* pay for it; provided that if Mrs. Bromley his Daughter should die without Issue Male, the Deed to be void.

Afterwards Sir Rowland's Incumbrances being much altered, he makes his Will, and therein reciting the Settlement he had made of his Estate to be sold, he does by his Will revoke that Settlement, and devises the Estate to his Grandson Green (who was an Infant) but devises a Term of ten Years therein to his Executors for the Payment of his Debts and Legacies, and gives 1500*l.* to the Plaintiff Bromley, 500*l.* to his Wife, and 100*l.* a-piece to their Children, and dies.

The Plaintiff brought this Bill to have a specifick Performance of the Covenant, and that he might have the Estate 1500*l.* cheaper than any one else wou'd give for it.

The Defendant insisted, that the Legacies devised by the Will, were in Satisfaction of the Covenant, and had examined Witnesses to prove it; and the Plaintiff ex-

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amined Witnesses to prove the contrary, for the Will mentioned nothing of the Matter one Way or other.

At the hearing, it was debated, whether any of these Proofs could be read.

The Plaintiff's Council urged, they might, and that it was but like my Lord *Cheyney's* Case, where a Man devises to his Son *John*, and has two Sons of that Name, Witnesses may be examined to prove which he meant; the Defendants would have it presumed, that this Legacy was, in Satisfaction of the Covenant, the Will says no such Thing, and we would read Witnesses against this Presumption; and the Cases of *Forster* versus *Munt*, and *Cordell* versus *Woden*, &c. where it was said, Witnesses were read to such Purpose.

Lord *Keeper*. As Matters have been settled since my Lord *Falkland's* Case, they cannot be read; for it would be a Way to introduce Incertainty, and make the Court Arbitrary; and that Case was much stronger than this, for there the Evidence intended to be made Use of were Letters of the Testator's own Writing, and yet were rejected; and the Evidence was not read in my Lady *Gainsborough's* Case to make any Construction in Law, for the making one Executrix, is a Gift in Law of the Personal Estate; but the Proof read was to Oust a Construction in Equity, which has been but a late one, neither, that, where a particular Legacy is given to an Executor, he shall be ousted of the Residue.

The Master of the *Rolls* said, he thought it was plain from the Will itself, that the Legacies were intended to be in Satisfaction of the Covenant; for it recites the Settlement, and revokes it, which is by Consequence a defeating of the 1500 *l.* but however, a Court of Equity is not obliged to decree a Specifick Execution of all Covenants or Agreements, be they on never so valuable Considerations, but will consider all Circumstances, and Sir *Rowland's* Circumstances, and the Condition of his Fortune being so much altered, and thereupon his Purpose so much changed, that if a Specifick  
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Execution of this Covenant should be decreed, the whole Will would be defeated; and therefore he thought that it ought not to be executed in this Case; and of the same Opinion was my Lord Keeper, and dismiss'd the Bill.

Case 122.

2 Vern. 416.

S. C.

A Portion of 4000 l. devised out of Lands to a Daughter, if she married with the Consent of A. and B. to be paid at her Age of 21, or Day of Marriage, which should first happen; but if she married without such Consent, then she was to have 1000 l. only; the Daughter dies about six Years of Age. Decreed her Portion should sink for the Benefit of the Heir, and not be Subject to Distribution, tho' strongly insisted it was a Legacy, and as such recoverable in the Spiritual Court.

### *Tate versus Fettiplace.*

SIR Rowland Lacy seised of the Manor of Pudlicot, made a Mortgage for 1000 Years to Henry Heyling, for securing 6000 l. and Interest, and afterwards by Deed and Fine settled the same to the Use of himself for Life, Remainder to the Defendant Rowland Lacy his Son in Tail, with other Remainders over, Remainder to himself in Fee, and being seised of several other Estates, most of which were Reversions expectant on Estates for Lives; and being greatly indebted to other Persons, and having one Daughter, named Arabella, made his Will in Writing, and thereby devised the said Lands, and all his Lands not before settled in Jointure to Dame Arabella, his Wife, and to Sir Edmund Fettiplace and Charles Fettiplace, and their Heirs upon Trust, that they should by Sale thereof raise Money to pay his Debts, provided, that upon Payment of Mr. Heylin's Mortgage, the said Mortgage should be kept on Foot for securing the Portion therein after mentioned, to Arabella his Daughter, and his other Legacies and Debts, if the Lands devised were not sufficient to pay the same, and thereby devised to his said Daughter 4000 l. for her Portion, if she married with the Consent of his Wife, and Trustees, to be paid at her Age of 21, or Day of Marriage, which should first happen; but if she married without such Consent, then he gave her 1000 l. only for a Portion, and no more, and made his Wife Executrix, and died.

Arabella the Daughter died soon after, being about six Years of Age.

Afterwards Dame *Arabella* the Widow, married the Plaintiff *Tates*, and took out Letters of Administration to *Arabella* her Daughter, and made her Will; and her Husband Mr. *Tates* Executor and Devisee of all, who by Virtue thereof, pretended to be intitled to a Moiety of the 4000 l. devised by Sir *Rowland* to *Arabella* the Daughter; and also to so much of the Personal Estate of Sir *Rowland*, as was not specifically devised away; for that he had made Provision for Payment of his Debts by his Lands, and had, as was pretended, directed the Person who drew his Will, to give his Personal Estate to his Wife; but that he had omitted to do, because, he thought, that the making of her sole Executrix, was a Gift of it in Law, and had examined one *Brooks* an Attorney, who drew the Will, to that Purpose.

Mr. *Tates* brought his Bill to have an Account of Sir *Rowland's* Personal Estate; and that he might have the Surplus of it, and for a Moiety of *Arabella's* 4000 l.

*Rowland Lacy* the Infant Heir, brought a Cross Bill against him, for an Account of the Real and Personal Estate of his Father. (Dame *Arabella* having in her Life Time been the only acting Trustee.)

The Creditors brought their Bill to have the Trust performed, and their Debts paid.

An Account being directed to be taken, and the Master having made his Report on hearing these Causes before my Lord *Somers*, assisted by the Master of the *Rolls*; as to the first Demand of Mr. *Tates's* touching the Surplus of Sir *Rowland's* Personal Estate, Mr. *Brooks's* Deposition (which was admitted to be read) was insisted on, and Lady *Gainsborough's* Case relied on, as a Case in Point; but as to that, the Bill was dismiss'd, and the Court took farther Time to consider of his Demand of the Moiety of *Arabella's* Portion; but before any Judgment was given therein, the Seal was given to Sir *Nathan Wright*, and then Mr. *Tates* petitioned to have his Cause reheard.



The Cause coming now to be reheard before my Lord Keeper, assisted with the Master of Rolls, as to the Demand of the Personal Estate, the former Order was confirmed, and the Bill dismiss'd.

As to the other Demand of the Moiety of *Arabella's* Portion, it was insisted, that it was a Legacy to her, and might have been sued for in the Spiritual Court (tho' it were charged on Land) and no Court would have prohibited them; and by their Law it would have been recovered, tho' she died before the Time of Payment; and where this Court holds Plea of Matters of Ecclesiastical Conusance, they ought to judge according to the Civil Law; that this Case differs from all the Cases cited on the other Side, touching the sinking of Portions in Lands, they being all in Cases of meer Trusts, wherein the Chancery alone had the entire Jurisdiction, and where no Suit lay in the Ecclesiastical Court for it, and might have given Sentence for the Appellant, according to the Civil Law.

On the other Side, it was said, that the *Precedents* were the same in Effect with this, and particularly the Case of *Pawlet* (and *Pawlet*, and no real Difference between them; and of that Opinion was my Lord Keeper and the Master of the Rolls, and therefore dismiss'd the Bill, as to this Demand likewise, and this Dismission was affirmed in the House of Lords.

Case 123.

### *Blake versus Johnson.*

One being in an undue Manner drawn in to execute a Conveyance of his Estate, after makes his Will, and thereby devises all his Land to be sold for Payment of his Debts, his Creditors may set aside the Conveyance, having a Right in Nature of an Equity of Redemption, as the Testator himself had, tho' urged, that it was but in Nature of a Chose in Action, and not assignable.

**S**OME Deeds having been unduly obtained from the Lord *Lovelace* some few Months before his Death, which he being sensible of, made his Will, and devised all his Estate in the first Place for Payment of his Debts, and the Surplus to other Persons.

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The Creditors brought this Bill to be relieved against these Deeds, and to have the Lands subjected to the Payment of their Debts.

'Twas objected, that if these Deeds had been unduly obtained (which was deny'd) yet this Devise was but in the Nature of a Right of Action, which was not assignable, and therefore the Creditors could have no Benefit of it.

But it was held by my Lord Keeper and the Master of the Rolls, that this is but in Nature of an Equity of Redemption, which may be assigned, as he himself might have come here to be relieved against these Deeds, so may his Devisees.

*Juxon versus Brian.*

Case 124:

**M**Y Lord Keeper declared his Opinion in this Case without Debate, that where Lands are devised to Trustees to raise Money for several Purposes; and they raise the Money out of the Profits, the Land is thereby discharged, and the Persons concerned must resort to the Trustees.

*Tidcombe versus Boddington.*

Case 125:

**P**Laintiff being Colonel of a Regiment of Foot in his Majesty's Service, enter'd into an Agreement with one Moyer, (who, it seems, was a Partner with the Defendant Boddington) for cloathing his Regiment for the Year 1696; the Contract was in Writing, and was made in the Name of one Chambers, and was, that Moyer should furnish the Regiment with such and such particular Cloaths, at such particular Prices.

If the Colonel of the Army makes an Assignment of the Off-reckning of any Year, for the Cloathing of that Year, and has before anticipated these Off-reckon-

ings of that Year, for the Cloathing of the foregoing Year; he shall be answerable in his own Person, if the Agreement be so worded, as to charge him; and that the Off-reckonings of the following Year are so far diverted, by altering the Establishment of the Regiment, as not to be applicable to make good these Payments.

At the making of the Bargain, it was agreed between Moyer and the Plaintiff, that the Plaintiff was not to be



be liable in his own Person or Estate for the Money ; but that *Moyer* was to be paid out of the Off-reckonings, and he was intrusted by the Plaintiff to have the Contract drawn accordingly.

When the Contract was presented to the Plaintiff, by him to be executed, he desired Time to advise with his Council, whether it were so drawn, as that he could not be charged in his own Person or Estate, and *Moyer* assuring him it was so drawn, he thereupon executed it, and the same Time delivered *Moyer* an Assignment for his whole Money out of the Off-reckonings upon the Paymaster ; and by Virtue of that Assignment about 300 *l.* was received.

By the Course of Payment in the Army, when an Assignment is made of the Off-reckonings for Payment of the Cloathing of any Year, if the Off-reckonings of that Year are not sufficient to compleat the Payment, he that has such Assignment, is to receive out of the Off-reckonings of the following Year, till his Payment is compleat, and the Regiment being in Arrear for their Cloathing, the Assignment that was to them that cloathed the Army in 1695, was not paid by the Off-reckonings of that Year, but took up good Part of the Off-reckonings of the Year 1696.

In the Year 1697, an Act of Parliament was made, which appropriated the Off-reckonings of the Year 1697, to the Payment of the Cloathing for that Year only, and no other ; so that *Boddington* was thereby prevented from having any Satisfaction out of the Off-reckonings of that Year, as else by the Course of Payment in the Army he would have had ; and this Regiment happening, just at that Time to be removed into *Ireland*, and put upon a new Establishment, *Boddington* was thereby prevented from having any further Benefit of his Assignment upon the Off-reckonings, and was like to lose his Money.

Thereupon consulting with his Lawyers what to do, he was advised, that as the Contract was, he might

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Charge the Colonel in his own Right; whereupon he brought his Action at Law against him, in the Name of the Trustee and *Tidcombe*, having unadvisedly pleaded, that the Cloaths were not deliver'd according to the Contract, the Plaintiff at Law recovered the whole Sum mentioned in the Contract.

Whereupon Colonel *Tidcombe* brought this Bill to be relieved against the Recovery at Law.

Both *Boddington* and *Moyer* did by their Answer confess, that they were to expect their Payment out of the Off-reckonings, and that the Colonel was not to be charged himself in his own Right, unless he did some Way divert them, or prevent them from having the Benefit of them; and that in Case the Off-reckonings of any Year did not suffice to pay the Cloathing of that Year, he who had an Assignment on the Off-reckonings, was to receive out of the Off-reckonings of the subsequent Year, till his Payment was compleated; but insisted, that *Tidcombe* had diverted the Off-reckonings of 1696, *viz.* by the said Assignment for the Cloathing of 95; and that at the Time of the Contract, they knew not that the Regiment was so indebted, but the contrary to that was proved, and made *Moyer* on that Account insist upon having higher Prizes.

At the Hearing, it was urged for the Plaintiff, that if this Contract was so drawn, as to Charge the Colonel in his Person, it was a Fraud in *Moyer* (who was intrusted with the drawing of it) to have it so drawn, and he, upon the executing of it, affirmed it was so drawn, as not to charge the Colonel in Person, and thereby prevailed on him to execute it, without advising with Counsel, as else he would have done; that *Moyer* and *Boddington* both knew of the Assignment for the Cloathing of the Year 95; and 'twas confessed by them both, that the Colonel was not to be charged in Person, if he did not prevent them of the Benefit of the Off-reckonings, and that he had done no other Act whatsoever.

For the Defendants, it was said, they were honest Creditors, and had recovered at Law, and that a Court



of Equity, ought not to hinder them from getting their Money; that no Parol Proof of the Plaintiff's ought to be admitted against the Agreement in Writing, that the Assignment to the former Cloathier was an Anticipation made by the Plaintiff, and that he ought to make good the Money.

Lord Keeper. *Boddington* does admit by his Answer the Course of Payment in the Army, but says, where Payment of the Off-reckonings is prevented by the Colonel, or the Party any Ways hindred from receiving the same, the Colonel is to be answerable; and by the Establishment of the Army, the Off-reckonings of every Year are to answer and pay the Cloathing of that Particular Year; and the Off-reckoning of 96 was anticipated by the Colonel for the Cloathing of the Year 95, and surely one Witness to a Parol Agreement is not sufficient to set aside a Contract in Writing, and therefore the Plaintiff cannot be relieved for more than what is paid, which must be discounted out of the Money recovered.

Afterwards the Plaintiff appealed to the House of Lords, and the Cause was heard by them, but they delayed giving Judgment, on Purpose that the Parties may agree the Matter, which they did; then the Decree was confirmed by Consent, tho' the Lords seemed disposed to reverse it.

Cafe 126.

*Luke versus Bridges and Christy.*

Scrivener or Attorney puts out his Client's Money on a Security, which he might on the least Inquiry have found to be defective, or even where he had Notice of Ejectment delivered on a Prior Mortgage; yet could not be charged in Equity to answer the Money.

**M**R. *Thomas Christy* (to whom the Defendant *Christy* and others were Executors) had been a considerable practising Attorney, and was Brother-in-Law to the Plaintiff *Luke*, who having 1000*l.* out at Interest, and the same being to be paid in, desired it might be paid to her Brother-in-Law Mr. *Christy*, and that he would get her a Security for it: Accordingly the Money was paid in to him, and he, without any further Directions from the Plaintiff, or acquainting her at all of the Matter, in

in *March* 1692, lent it out on a Security of a Mortgage, made by *Sir Charles Bickerstaff* to one *Mr. Robert Marsham*, for securing 250*l.* which afterwards was increased to 1100*l.* and was by him assigned to the Defendant *Bridges* for securing that Sum; and the Assignment was taken in the Name of the Plaintiff, and she had some of the Title Deeds delivered to her, and received 68*l.* of the Interest from *Sir Charles Bickerstaff*; but it fell out that the Security was pre-incumbred, and would not answer the Money.

The Plaintiff brought this Bill to have the Money made good to her, either by the Executors of her Brother-in-Law, who had put out the Money, or by *Mr. Bridges*, who had the Security before upon a Re-assignment, and had long before brought a Bill against *Sir Charles Bickerstaff* to have the Redemption foreclosed, and a Decree had been obtained by Sale of the Estate, and *Mr. Hungerford* had been allowed the best Purchaser for 600*l.*

Thereupon *Mr. Bridges* arrested *Sir Charles* upon his Bond, and he was in Prison in the *Fleet*; and afterwards he, to procure his Enlargement, paid *Mr. Bridges* 600*l.* and there remained due to *Mr. Bridges* at the Time of his Assignment only 643 for Principal, Interest and Costs; and yet the Assignment is made in Consideration of 1000*l.* mentioned to be paid to him, and he accordingly had a Bill for 1000*l.* upon *Sir John Johnson*, the Goldsmith delivered to him, which was a Fraud in him, and he concealed all these Matters from *Mr. Christy*, and assigned this as a good Security.

'Twas urged, that this was a Fraud, and the Reasons insisted upon and proved by the Plaintiff for Relief against the Defendant *Bridges*, were, that he, after the Security assigned to him, had joined with the Mortgagor in selling Part of the mortgaged Premises, which (as was alleged) was the best Part of the Security; and at the Time when he assigned the Security to the Plaintiff, knew it to be bad, and therefore he ought to take back the Security, and answer the Money.

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As against Mr. *Christy* it was alledged, that he by receiving the Plaintiff's 1000*l.* became Debtor to her for so much; and his putting of it out on this Security, without so much as acquainting her or her Friends, or advising with her Council, could not discharge him of the Demand she had against him for the said 1000*l.* that if he were not guilty of a Fraud in that Matter, yet he was guilty of a gross Neglect, not to enquire into the Circumstances of Sir *Charles*, who then owed 10,000*l.* upon Statutes, Judgments, &c. which might have been found out if inquired after; that he himself was so satisfied of his Faultiness in the Case, that he had declared he thought himself obliged in Conscience to make her Satisfaction, and that he would do so (as was fully proved in the Cause) and *volenti non fit injuria*, and he had left a great Estate, and no Debts or Children, and had by his Will only left the Plaintiff an Annuity of 20*l.* per Ann. to commence after the Death of his Wife.

'Twas answered on Behalf of Mr. *Bridges*, that as for the Assignment being made in Consideration of 1000*l.* paid to him, whereas so much was not due to him, it was so done by the Desire of Sir *Charles Bickerstaff*; and tho' the Bill for the whole 1000*l.* was made payable to him, yet he had only received so much as was due to him, and Sir *Charles* had the rest; that he having been deceived in the Mortgage, and taken an ill Security, might justly get rid of it as he could, and had Obligation to discover the Badness of the Security, which would have prevented his ever parting with it; therefore he having been guilty of no Fraud, there was no Reason to charge him with any Part of the Money, or to force him to take back the Security.

'Twas said for Mr. *Christy*, that there was no Fraud in him, that he had received and put out the Money at the Plaintiff's Desire; that he had transacted the Security merely out of Friendship to her, and without any Reward from any Body, and ought not to be answerable for the Misfortune, and that to charge him

him would be to destroy all Commerce in Relation to Securities; for no one would venture to put another's Money upon a Security, if he were obliged to warrant and make it good, in Case a Loss should happen, without any Fraud in him; that tho' the Plaintiff had not been acquainted with this Security before hand, yet she had given him Directions in general to put out the Money, and approved it after by taking the Deeds, and receiving the Interest, and had petitioned the House of Commons against Mr. *Phillip Bickerstaff*, who was a Member of that House, and bound with his Brother Sir *Charles* in the Bond for Performance of Covenants; that what he said of thinking himself bound in Conscience to make her Satisfaction, were only Expressions of great Concern for the Plaintiff's Misfortune, but could not in any Court of Law or Equity oblige him to make her any Reparation, who had done her no Wrong; nor did she set up any such Pretence during his Life-time, tho' he lived five Years after the Money lent; and he had by his Will given 20 *l.* per *Ann.* after the Death of his Wife, and several other considerable Legacies to the Family, which he had no Obligation to have done.

My Lord Keeper said, he did not think that either Mr. *Christy* or Mr. *Bridges* had done altogether what in natural Justice they ought to have done, yet that there was no sufficient Foundation to charge either of them in Equity. He cited the Case of Sir *John Foach* the Scrivener, upon the Mortgage of Mr. *Fervis*, where, tho' Sir *John* had Notice of Declarations in Ejectment, delivered on a Prior Mortgage, before he lent his Client's Money, yet could not be charged to make good to his Client the Money he afterwards lent upon it, so he dismiss'd the Bill without Costs; and this Decree was afterwards affirmed in the House of Lords.



Case 127.

## Clark verſus Ward.

Fine fraudulently obtained, and Razures in ſeveral Parts of it to make it correſpond throughout, a Crime in the Officers who did it, but no Cauſe for ſetting aſide the Fine, or for a Reconveyance of the Eſtate in Equity, and the Examination proper only in the Court where the Fine was levied.

THE Defendant *Ward* had inveigled his Wife to levy a Fine of her Land to him when ſhe lay on her Death Bed, pretending that he was thereby only to have it for his Life; and a *Dedimus* was ſent into the Country to take the Fine, and the *Caption* was taken about 100 Miles from *London*, the very Day ſhe died; and therefore, becauſe the Fine could not have ſtood, the Party being dead before the *King's Silver* was paid, the Writ of Covenant was razed in the *Teſte*, and made to bear Date 10 Days backward; and all other Parts of the Fine were razed likewiſe, and made to correſpond with it; and the *King's Silver* was paid, and ſo all appeared upon the Record to have been done before the Death of the Woman.

This Bill was brought by her Heir at Law, to ſet aſide this Fine as obtained by Fraud, or to have a Reconveyance of the Land; and it was admitted by the Defendant's Council, that a Fine obtained by Fraud, might be ſet aſide as well as any other Conveyance; but to bring ſuch Matter to be examined here for Irregularity, or on Pretence of Razures or Alterations, they ſaid was without Precedent. If a Judgment had been irregularly entred or obtained at Law, that muſt be ſet aſide in the Court where it was obtained, or not at all, and cannot be done by Examination here, being wholly foreign from the Jurisdiction of this Court, and of dangerous Conſequence: And if ſuch Examination could have been proper at Law (which it cou'd not) it muſt have been only againſt the Officer of the Court, and that ought to have been by Petition; and if the Matter were proper for Relief, it ought to have been made out by Proofs before the Hearing, and cannot be done by farther Proofs after Publication.

On the other Side it was said, This Examination into the Parts of the Fine, is only to show the Fraud in obtaining it, and can be only obtained here, for 'tis concerning Parts of the Fine which are only here in this Court, and may be made out after Publication, for 'tis only inspecting the Force of the Records; and tho' the Fine stand good, yet the Uses may be set aside; as if Trustees levy a Fine to one without Consideration, the Court will not set aside the Fine, but order a Re-conveyance of the Land.

Lord Keeper. There is a great deal of Difference between the Irregularity of passing the Fine, and the undue and fraudulent Manner of obtaining it; for which he cited *Greenwood's Case*, and *Hungate's Case*, 5 Co. 2 Vent. 30. and said, if a fraudulent obtaining a Fine could have been relieved against here, it would have been attempted in some of those Cases; and if it should be examinable here, it wou'd be a great Weakning of Fines, and can only be examined here to punish the Party that did it *Criminaliter*; in *Gellibrand's Case*, where one was personated, yet the Fine was not set aside, but a Re-conveyance ordered; afterwards the Bill was dismiss'd.

*Wray versus Williams.*

Case 128.

A Term was raised in *Black-acre* in Trust, to indemnify Mr. Buckley against Incumbrances that might affect *White-acre*, which he had purchased; the Defendant *Williams* brought a Writ of Dower of *Black-acre* against the Plaintiff who was an Infant, and his Guardian had let her take Judgment at Law, without setting up the Term, or taking any Notice of it; so this Bill was brought by the Infant Heir to be relieved against that Judgment.

'Twas said by the Court, that this Case is the same with my Lady *Radnor's*, and if she could not be relieved as Plaintiff, it must be for Want of Equity, and therefore the

A Guardian suffered a Dowress to recover at Law, by not setting up a Term, which was created for protecting a Purchaser, and the Infant was relieved.



the Plaintiff must be relieved against her when she is Defendant; I do not see any Difference in Reason betwixt a Tenant by the Courtesy, and a Tenant in Dower; but one has been adjudg'd one Way, and the other another. And my Lady Radnor's Case having been affirmed in the House of Peers, the Authority is so great, that I cannot get over it; and it has been always admitted, that an unsatisfied Mortgage shall not stand in a Dowresses Way, but that she may redeem; but this is not a Mortgage, but a Term to indemnify a Purchaser, and it must continue so; and subject to that, it must be in Trust for the Heir.

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Wray v. Williams.

Term was ended in Black-act in Trust to indemnify Mr. B. against Incumbrances that might be made by him, which he had purchased; the Defendant brought a Writ of Dower of Black-act against the Plaintiff, who was an Infant, and his Guardian had her take Judgment at Law, without raising up the Term, or taking any Notice of it; to this Bill was brought by the Plaintiff, and it was relieved against that Judgment, and it was said by the Court, that the Case is the same with my Lady Radnor's, and if the Court were relieved as Plaintiff, it must be for Want of Equity; and therefore

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## Termino Paschæ,

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## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Brown versus Bradshaw, & al.*

Case 129.

**M**R. *Kingdom* (amongst other things) was Farmer of the *Hearth-Money* under the Crown, and his Accounts not liquidated in the Exchequer; and there were Accounts depending between Mr. *Kingdom* and Mr. *Hind* a Goldsmith, who became a Bankrupt; and after his Bankruptcy, but before any Assignment made by the Commissioners, an *Extent in Aid* was taken out in the Name of *Kingdom* against *Hind*, and all his Estate both Real and Personal was seised by Virtue thereof.

An *Extent in Aid* is taken out by the King's Receiver against his own Debtor, against whom a Commission of Bankruptcy was before awarded; and the Assignees under the Commission brought their

Bill in Chancery to set aside the *Extent in Aid*; and after 15 Years Pendency of the Suit, at the Hearing, the Bill was dismiss'd, for that the Court of Chancery had no Jurisdiction in Cases of this Nature, which were only proper for the Exchequer, being the Court of the King's Revenue, and from which the *Extent in Aid* issued, and therefore only examinable there; and if set aside here, yet the Exchequer might carry on the Process, till the Debt cleared, according to the Course of the Court.

The Plaintiffs who were Assignees of *Hind's* Bankruptcy, brought this Bill to be relieved against the said *Extent*.

Answers were put in, and many Proceedings had in the Cause, so that it had depended 14 or 15 Years; and now at the Hearing, the Defendants insisted, that this Court had no Jurisdiction in this Cause, for it being a Matter relating to the King's Revenue, ought to be controverted in the Court of Exchequer (where there is

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a Court of Equity for such Matters) and not in this Court.

For the Plaintiffs it was insisted, that this was really the Cause of the Defendants, and not the King's; that the Farmers of the *Hearth-Money* are not in Truth indebted to the King, at least there is no liquidated Debt, and that in Reality the Farmers of the *Hearth-Money* are indebted to *Hind*, instead of his being indebted to them; that there are many Precedents where *Extents* of this Kind have been controverted in this Court, as *Cassel* versus *Brewer*, in my Lord *Jeffery's* Time; *Cholmley* versus *Sturt* in the Time of the late Commissioners, where the Defendant who was a Creditor by simple Contract of a Person deceased, had preferred himself by such Extent before other Creditors of a higher Nature, and he was decreed in this Court to refund; that this is in Nature of a Commission of Bankruptcy which issues out of this Court, and therefore will give this Court Jurisdiction, tho' it had it not otherwise; and if the Court of Exchequer has a Jurisdiction in such Cases, sure this Court has at least a concurrent Jurisdiction with it; and if it had not a Jurisdiction, the Defendant ought to have taken Advantage of it by Exception or Demurrer, but ought not to be permitted to do it now after fifteen Years Pendency of the Cause.

The Attorney General said there is in this Cause an original Extent for the King, as well as this Extent in Aid; and 'till it appears the King's Debt is satisfied, according to the Course of the Exchequer, this Court will not set aside the said Extents: And 'tis not material that the King's Account is not liquidated, for 'till this, they are Debtors for the whole, and the Irregularity of the Extent ought to be controverted only in the Exchequer, from whence the Extents issue, and not here; and the Court of Exchequer is as ample a Court of Equity as this; and the King must proceed in the Court of Exchequer.

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If this Court should hold Plea in such Cases, the Consequence will be, that the Account of all the King's Debts may be drawn hither, for nothing can be done in this Matter 'till the Account be taken; and if that were taken here, yet the King won't be concluded by it in the *Exchequer*, for 'till the Account be discharged there, he may take out Process there; and 'tis the Plaintiff's own Fault that he has travelled so long out of the Way, for he was told of it at first; the Commissioners have no other Right than the Bankrupt himself had; and therefore if he could not have come hither, no more can they; and the Court of Exchequer was first possessed of the Cause by the *Extents*, and they have as supreme Jurisdiction in the King's Causes, and do often grant prerogative Orders to remove Causes out of other Courts, where the Consequence would be to have their Proceedings examined elsewhere.

As to the Case of *Capel* versus *Brewer*, the Defendant there confessed there was no Debt, and that he was able to pay the King's Debt without Aid; and there the Bill was only against the Party that had preferred himself, and his Simple Contract Debt, and the Decree was only against him to refund upon the Fraud, and did not meddle with the *Extent*; but here the Bill is to set aside the *Extent*, and there the King could have had no Benefit of the *Extent*, tho' they were *Extents* in Aid.

The Case of *Cholmeley* versus *Sturt* is the same with the other Case, and differs from the present Case as the former did; and 'tis found by the Inquisition, that *Hynd* was indebted, and they ought to have traversed the Inquisition if they would have controverted that Matter.

My Lord *Keeper* after some Time taken to consider of it, dismiss'd the Bill; the Suggestions whereof he said were only that *Hynd* was not indebted to the King, or to the *Farmers*, nor they to the King; and that these *Extents* are only a Fraud to protect the Bankrupt; that these Matters were not proper before him, nor in his Power to examine into, being found and of Record in the



the Exchequer, that it wou'd be to the Prejudice of the King; for if these Extents should be set aside, the King would be deprived of the Money he is in Possession of by them; that as to any Pretence of Irregularity, that was examinable in the Exchequer only; that both the Precedents cited, are since this Bill was depending; that in the Case of *Sir Hugh Cassel versus Brewer*, the Defendant confessed that he had sufficient to pay the King, and that his Debt was not in Danger, and that he took out the Extent himself. *Cholmeley versus Sturt* was a Fraud, and an Extent in Aid was never made Use of so far before. The Justice of the Nation is distributed into particular Courts, which I cannot confound.

Case 130.

2 Vern. 241.  
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*City of London versus Richmond, Adersey, & al'.*

Assignee of a  
Personal  
Contract for  
a Liberty of  
bringing Wa-  
ter to the  
City of Lon-

*don*, chargeable in Equity with the Covenants in the Original Lease or Contract, as an equitable Assignee upon an equitable Privy of Estate, like the Assignee of a Bond.

*Adersey* for a certain Sum of Money had articulated with the City, to lay a Pipe, which should not convey less than 19 Tun of Water an Hour to *StocksMarket* and *Cheapside*.

The Defendants and one *Houghton*, who was no Party to the Bill, and others, who were not brought to Hearing, being acquainted with those Articles between *Adersey* and the City, had determined with themselves to take a Lease of those Waters from the City, and before the Pipes laid, employed *Houghton* to treat with the City, and take a Lease of them to himself; but they had agreed among themselves, that there should be 900 Shares in that Lease, and that *Houghton* should have 300 Shares to himself, and the other 600 Shares were to be to the other Parties in other Proportions.

*Houghton* accordingly treated with the City in his own Name, and took a Lease of these Waters from them for 51 Years, at 2600*l.* Fine, and 700*l.* per Ann. Rent, during

during the Term; and *Houghton* covenants for himself and his Assigns to pay the Rent, and to do several other Matters.

By Indenture of the same Date with the Lease, and made between *Houghton* of the one Part, and four others (two of which were only brought to Hearing) of the other Part, *Houghton* assigns this Lease to those four Persons in Trust for himself, as to 300 Shares; and for their own Benefit as to 600 Shares, as had been agreed between them before taking the Lease.

*Adersey* lays the Pipe, but instead of carrying 19 Ton per Hour, it did not carry above 5 Ton per Hour, and the Lease proved a very hard Bargain, and *Houghton* fails.

The City brought this Bill against the Assignees of the Lease to pay the Rent in Arrear, and the growing Rent, and to perform the other Covenants in the Lease; and as against *Adersey* it was, that if *Houghton* had not fully performed his Articles with the City, he might do it, that the other Defendants might have the Benefit of them.

'Twas objected, that this being such an unreasonable and losing Bargain, ought not to be decreed in a Court of Equity, nor ought they to be charged further than they might at Law, or any more than an Assignee of all the Term, except a Week, &c. (who therefore would not be liable at Law to the Covenants in the Lease) should be obliged in this Court to perform them.

'Twas further urged, that there was neither Privity of Contract nor Estate between the Plaintiffs and Defendants, and the Lease is only a personal Contract for a Liberty of bringing Water, which the City enjoys under an Act of Parliament; and if the Defendants are chargeable at all here, yet they can be charged only to account for the Profits, and not to answer the whole Rent.

My Lord Keeper said here is an equal Privity of Estate, as in the Case of an Assignee of a Bond; and as to its being a bad Bargain, he thought that not material,



for, there is the same Reason that a bad Bargain, if fair, and without Fraud, should be decreed, as if it had been a good one; and 'tis plain here was no Fraud nor Surprize in this Case, for the Indenture between *Houghton* and his Assignees bears Date the same Day with the Lease, and recites it, and what the Fine and Rent was, and then agrees to divide it into 900 Shares, &c. they shall be decreed to pay the Rent for the Time past; but I can make no Decree that they shall continue the Payment of it during the Term, for they are chargeable no longer than the Privy of Estate continues; and if they can assign it over, that Ground of the Charge is gone.

Case 131.

*Blake versus Sir Edward Hungerford.*

*A.* seised in Fee in Right of his Wife, joins in a Fine, and declares the Uses to *B.* by Way of Mortgage, for securing 15,000 *l.* and subject there- to to the Use

**S**IR *Edward Hungerford* seised in Right of his Wife of the Manor of *D.* procures her to join with him in a Fine by Way of Mortgage in Fee for securing 15000 *l.* and the Equity of Redemption thereof upon Payment of the Money is limited to Sir *Edward* for Life, without Impeachment of Waste, Remainder to the Wife, and her Heirs and Assigns.

of *A.* for Life; Remainder to the Wife in Fee; then *A.* acknowledges a Statute to *C.* for 500 *l.* then the Wife dies, and *A.* sells his Estate for Life for 3000 *l.* to *D.* the Son and Heir at Law of the Wife, who had no Notice of the Statute; and the Mortgage is assigned to a third Person, who paid off the 15,000 *l.* and advanced the 3000 *l.* then *D.* acknowledges a Statute to *E.* who had no Notice of *C.*'s Statute, makes his Will, and devises these Lands to *A.* and dies: As to the 3000 *l.* held clearly that should be preferred to *C.*'s Statute; held also that *E.*'s Statute should be preferred to *C.*'s, because the Mortgage was but in Nature of Trustee for the Son.

Sir *Edward* afterwards acknowledges a Statute of 500 *l.* to *George Arnold*, to whom Sir *Jeremy Sambrook* is Administrator; then the Wife dies, and *Anthony Hungerford* was her Son and Heir. Sir *Edward Hungerford* contracted with *Anthony* his Son, who had no Notice of the Statute, to sell him his Estate for Life in the Manor for 3000 *l.* and accordingly *Anthony* procures 3000 *l.* more to be taken up upon the Mortgage, and the Mortgage to be transferred to the new Mortgagee, who paid off the old ones, and furnished the 3000 *l.* to Sir *Edward Hungerford*,

gerford, and the Equity of Redemption is limited to Anthony, and he Covenants to pay the Money; and the Mortgagee's Covenant on Payment of the Money to assign to him, or as he shall direct.

Then Anthony acknowledges a Statute to one Mellish (who had no Notice of the 500 l. Statute) and after makes his Will, and devises Legacies to the Plaintiffs, and chargeth them on the said Manor, and deviseth the Manor itself to Sir Edward Hungerford and his Heirs, and the great Question was, Whether Sambrook, who had the Interest of the Statute acknowledged by Sir Edward, whilst he was Tenant for Life, or Mellish, who was Conuzee of Anthony, after his Purchase of Sir Edward's Estate for Life, should be preferred in Payment.

The Master of the Rolls decreed, that Sir Jeremy Sambrook's Statute must come in after the Creditors and Legatees of Sir Anthony Hungerford; and that Mellish must come in immediately after Anthony's Legacies, by Virtue of Mellish's Statute, Mellish having joined in the Declaration of Trust; and this Decree was affirmed by my Lord Keeper, with the Assistance of Mr. Justice Blencom and Lord Chief Justice Trevor.

The Reasons urged for it were, that tho' neither had the legal Estate, and that between two Equities *qui Prior est tempore Potior est Jure*; yet that must be understood of bare Equities; but in this Case Anthony Hungerford had more than a bare Equity, that the Case of *Smith and Christ's Hospital* did not come up to this Case, for there was a Term standing out, to which neither Party had a right; but by Anthony's Purchase the whole Interest is united in him, and they who had the legal Interest covenanted to assign to him, and are but his Trustees after Payment of the Mortgage Money, and it differs little from the common Case, where a third Mortgagee buys in the first Mortgage in Trust for himself, and Anthony may make Use of his Trustee's Name at Law, either to defend or recover, and may have an Action at Law against them to assign.

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That tho' Sir *Edward's* Equity for Life would have intitled him, on Payment of a third Part, to redeem, and the 500 *l.* Statute was a Charge upon that Equity; yet that is liable to be defeated by a subsequent Incumbrancer without Notice; but such Purchasor must not be a Purchasor of a bare Equity only, for then the first will prevail; but *Anthony* is a Purchasor of Sir *Edward's* Equity, and the legal Estate together, and will have the Protection of the legal Estate.

His Deed of Purchase takes Notice of the Case, and that the Mortgage is assigned at his Instance and by his Procurement, and so he purchases the Benefit of the legal Estate, together with the Equity.

If a third Mortgagee takes only an Agreement of the first Mortgagee to convey to him, the second cannot in such Case compel him to assign to him, because such Agreement was no more than what they might have done without any Agreement; and in this Case *Anthony* is not intitled upon the old Equity of Sir *Edward*, but on the new Equity raised on the new Mortgage; and he is an absolute Purchasor of the Estate subject to the Mortgage, and must have the Protection of it; and to decree a Conveyance to Sir *Jeremy Sambrook*, would be to decree a Breach of a fair and lawful Covenant and Agreement.

Case 132.

### *Jory versus Cox.*

A Mortgagee lends Money at 6 *l.* per Cent. and in the Deed agrees to take 5 *l.* per Cent. if it be paid within three Months after it became due; if the Mortgagee fail to pay at the precise Time, he must afterwards pay 6 *l.* per Cent.

**A** Mortgagee lends Money at 6 *l.* per Cent. but agrees in the Deed, that if the Money were paid within three Months after it became due, that he will accept of 5 *l.* per Cent.

The Mortgagor did not pay the Money within the three Months after it became due; and the Question was, Whether he should pay 5 *l.* or 6 *l.* per Cent.

The Lord *Keeper* having taken Time to consider of the Case, delivered his Opinion, That Interest must be paid at 6 *l. per Cent.* for tho' this Court relieves against unreasonable Penalties, yet this is not so, for the Mortgagee might have refused to lend his Money under 6 *l. per Cent.* if he had accepted 5 *l. per Cent.* that might have altered the Case, for there he had been his own *Chancellor*; and if it were to be so, that he must take 5 *l. per Cent.* yet he ought at least to have Interest for the Interest from the Time it ought to have been paid, for else I take from him his legal Advantage, without making him the Recompence which in Conscience he ought to have; and so there is some Difference between reserving simply 5 *l. per Cent.* and reserving of it, as in this Case. I cannot set aside a Man's Agreement, he must pay 6 *l. per Cent.*

*Note,* In this Case was cited a Case between Lord *Hallifax* and *Higgins*, where in such Case, 5 *l. per Cent.* only was allowed; but there the Agreement to take 5 *l. per Cent.* was by a distinct Deed, *Quere*, how that varies it.

### *Jolliff* versus *Crew*.

Case 133.

**P**ER Lord *Keeper*. Tho' a Legacy be devised to be paid at a certain Time, yet it shall not carry Interest, but from a Demand made; otherwise of a Debt; and cited *Robinson* versus *Holmes* in *C. B.* where Lands being devised, upon Condition to pay such a Sum of Money at a certain Day, the Non-payment at the Day was adjudged no Breach, without a Demand and Refusal.

A Legacy payable at a certain Time, shall notwithstanding carry Interest only from the Time it is demanded.

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Case 134.

*Randall versus Bookey.*

2 Vern. 425.

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Lands are devised to

Trustees to

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other Sums, to

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Testator of

the Surplus

of his Estate,

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not be turned into

Personal Estate,

nor more sold

than is necessary

to pay the Legacies,

and the

Heir shall have

the Surplus.

A Man made his Will, and thereby devised Lands to Trustees, and their Heirs, upon Trust, that they shall permit his Wife to receive the Profits during her Life; and after her Death, shall sell the Lands, and out of the Money arising by such Sale, shall pay 150 l. to J. S. and 100 l. to the Plaintiff *Randall* (who was the Testator's Heirs) and devises one Moiety of a *Tally*, which he had upon some of the Publick Funds, to *B.* and the other Moiety to his Wife, and makes her Executrix, and dies.

not be turned into Personal Estate, nor more sold than is necessary to pay the Legacies, and the Heir shall have the Surplus.

The Questions were, what should become of the Surplus of the Money that should be raised by Sale of the Lands, whether it should go to the Wife, who was Executrix, or whether it should be a Trust for the Plaintiff, who was Heir at Law, or whether the Testator should be looked upon to die Intestate as to that, and the Surplus go, according to the Statute of Distributions, to the Defendant.

'Twas said, that here being a particular Sum devised to the Heir out of the Land devised to be sold, it should exclude him from any more out of these Lands, as a particular Legacy does exclude an Executor from the Surplus by the Construction of this Court, that these Legacies must come out of these Lands, for it is so expressly directed, and that is not to be sold during the Wife's Life, so no immediate Legacy is intended; that this differs from all the former Cases, for there Legacies have been given for Care and Pains, which imports they are only Trustees; but here 'tis so expressed, and the particular Legacy of the *Tally* comes in only, because, when he gives away one Moiety, 'twas natural he should dispose of the rest; and they would have read Witnesses to explain the Testator's Meaning to be so; but that the Court would not admit.

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The Lord *Keeper* decreed, an Account to be taken of the Personal Estate ; and that to be distributed according to the former Resolutions, there being a particular Legacy given the Executor ; but as to the Surplus of the Money to be raised by Sale of the Land, he said, that devise was but in Nature of a Mortgage or Security ; and that the Plaintiff paying those Legacies must have the Land, tho' he had a particular Legacy thereout, as he would have had all, if it had not been devised away, as if a Man devises Lands to his Heir for Life ; yet he shall have the Reversion too.

*Heron versus Heron.*

Case 135.

**N**icholas Heron, made Sir Nicholas Heron and others his Executors in Trust, and died, Sir Nicholas managed the Personal Estate, and kept on the Ledger and Journal of Nicholas, and from Time to Time made all the Entries in his own Hand ; and therein enter'd the Personal Estate Debtor to Lands bought, naming them particularly, and dies, having made Sir Nathan Heron and Sir Joseph Heron his Executors : The only Question was, Whether these purchased Lands should be a Trust for those who were to have the Benefit of Sir Nicholas's Personal Estate ? 'Twas decreed they should not ; and my Lord *Keeper* said, this was not so strong a Case, as *Kirk versus Webb* ; for there was a Defect of Personal Estate to answer the Demand, which in this Case there is not.

*Hamell versus Hunt.*

Case 136.

**A** Man Assigns a Term to Trustees in Trust, to permit himself to receive the Profits thereof during his Life, and after his Death, in Trust, to permit his

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One assigns  
a Term to  
Trustees in  
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his Life, and after his Death in Trust to permit his two Daughters B. and C. their Executors and Administrators, to receive the Profits during the Residue of the Term, equally to be divided between them, they paying so much within two Years to his other two Daughters. B. dies, C. Mortgages to D. held that B. and C. were Tenants in Common, and not Jointenants by the Intention of the Father, which was to make distinct Provisions for them.



two Daughters B. and C. their Executors and Administrators, to receive the Profits during the Residue of the Term, equally to be divided between them, they paying so much within two Years to his two other Daughters.

B. dies, C. Mortgages to D. and the only Doubt was, Whether these two Sisters were Jointenants, or Tenants in common.

The Master of the *Rolls* held, that this being a Trust of a Personal Thing, they were Tenants in Common; and that the Father's Intention appears so in the Consideration, which was, to make several, and distinct Provisions for his two Daughters, and the paying of the Sums appointed to their two Sisters, makes them Purchasers.

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## Term. S. Trinitatis,

1701.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Stribblehill versus Brett.*

**M**R. Thomas Thynn of Long-Leet, was seised for Life of the Rectory impropriate of Thame in Com. Oxon. and several other Lands, with Power to make Leases Remainder to his first, and other Sons, Remainder to the Lord Viscount Weymouth. Mr. Thomas Thynn demised this Rectory for 99 Years, if three Lives lived so long in Trust for Mr. Thomas Thynn of Egham, and died Anno 1681; and soon after his Death, the Lord Weymouth made another Lease of the same Rectory in Trust for the same Mr. Thynn of Egham, who wanting Money, borrowed 2000*l.* of the Plaintiff's Intestate, and these two Leases were mortgaged to him for securing of it, and then he died Intestate; and the Plaintiff took out Administration to him, and Mr. Thynn of Egham died much indebted, and his Wife, (who was a Defendant) was his Administratrix, the Lives mentioned in the first Lease died, and thereby that Lease expired.

In Avoidance of the Plaintiff's Title under the Lease made by my Lord Weymouth, the Defendants, the Bretts, set up a Title under a Lease, purporting to be made by

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2 Ven. 441.  
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A Lease made by Tenant for Life Pursuant to his Power, but for a Marriage Brokage, and so an unlawful Consideration; decreed after his Death to be set aside, and to be no Trust for his Executors, as it was urged it should, the Consideration being as none.



Mr. *Thomas Thynn* of *Long-Leet* in 1681, a little before his Death, to their Uncle Major *Brett*, for the Consideration of 3600 *l.* and that their Uncle had before his Death made a voluntary Assignment of it to them.

The Plaintiffs said, that tho' this Lease imported to be made for 3600 *l.* yet no Money was ever really paid; and that, if the Lease were really made, it was upon a Marriage Brokage for Major *Brett's* procuring a Marriage between Mr. *Thynn* and Lady *Ogle*, and the Proof seemed to be pretty strong for that Purpose.

The Defendants objected two Things, 1st, That the Plaintiff had not made any sufficient Proof, that the Lease was made on any such Consideration as they pretended; and it could not be expected, that after such a length of Time as 20 Years, Proof should be made of the Payment of the Consideration Money, especially by the Defendants, who were Assignees and Strangers; and that if the Consideration were not paid, then the Lease must at most be in Equity, but a Trust for Mr. *Thynn*, and Consequently for his Executors, and they were not Parties to the Suit.

2dly, That the Plaintiff is not entitled to controvert this Lease, for he does not claim under or in Privy to Mr. *Thynn* that made the Lease, and was but Tenant for Life, and (whose Executor must be intitled to the Benefit of this Lease, if it be a Trust) but under the Lord *Weymouth*, who is a Remainder-Man.

'Twas answered, That the Plaintiff's Proofs were sufficient, and that a feigned Consideration was worse than no Consideration; for in the latter Case it may be intended a voluntary Gift, and the fancy of its being a Trust is idle, 'tis a Lease ill obtained, and the Decree must have been, not that it should be a Trust for Mr. *Thynn*, but that it should be set aside, and then my Lord *Weymouth* would have had the Benefit of it, and so must his Grantee.

Lord *Keeper*. If it be a Lease for a Marriage Brokage, it must be set aside, being *ex turpi causa*, and no Dif-

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ference between a Bond, or Lease, and an Inheritance; but I think the Proof is not full enough to found a Decree upon, therefore let it be try'd at Law, Whether the procuring the Marriage were the Consideration of this Lease.

Afterwards it was twice try'd at Law, and two Verdicts for the Defendant, and thereupon the Bill was dismiss'd; but upon Appeal to the Lords, they revised the Decree, and set aside the Lease without regard to the Verdicts.

### David Phillips versus Eliz. Phillips.

Case 138.

**A**FTER hearing of this Cause, my Lord Keeper ordered a Case to be stated, and sent to the Justices of the Common Pleas for their Opinion, which was done accordingly, and the Case with their Certificate was as follows:

That *William Phillips* by his last Will and Testament in Writing did dispose of his Estate in these Words, viz. I give, devise, and bequeath all my Houses, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, with their Appurtenances lying in the several Counties of *Denbigh* and *Flint*, or elsewhere in the Kingdom of *England*, to my well-beloved Friends *Samuel Powel* and *Roger Tennings*, and their Heirs in Trust; and to the Intent, that the Profits thereof shall be equally divided between *Elizabeth* my Wife, and my Daughter *Martha Phillips*, for and during the natural Life of the said *Elizabeth*, and after her Death, I give and devise the said Houses, Lands, &c. to my said Trustees and their Heirs, to the Use of the said *Martha*, and the Heirs of her Body for ever, with several Remainders over, and dies, and *Elizabeth* his Wife is still Living.

One devises Lands to Trustees, and their Heirs in Trust, that the Profits shall be equally divided between *Elizabeth* my Wife, and *Martha* my Daughter and Heir of the Testator, during the natural Life of the said *Elizabeth*, and after her Death, I give and devise the Lands to my said Trustees and their Heirs, to the Use of the said *Martha*, and the Heirs of her Body, with several Remainders over, and dies: *Martha* dies without Issue, and *Elizabeth* is

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still living. By the Opinion of all the Justices of C. B. *Elizabeth* and *Martha* were but Tenants in Common, and *Elizabeth* shall have the Moiety of the Profits during her Life, and the other Moiety by the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjury* belongs to the Executors or Administrators of *Martha* as before that Statute it would have belonged to the Heir of *Martha*, and of the Testator, as Profits undisposed of and resulting to him.



The sole Question was, Whether *Elizabeth* on the Death of *Martha* without Issue, ought by Survivorship, Implication of Law, or otherwise, to have the whole Profits during Life, or only one Moiety thereof, and the Plaintiff the other during *Elizabeth's* Life, as Heir at Law to the said *William* and *Martha*, as Profits undisposed of, and resulting to him; and by Certificate of all the Judges of C. B. on hearing Council, *Elizabeth* and *Martha* being Tenants in Common, during the Life of *Elizabeth*; at *Martha's* Death her Moiety belongs to her Executor or Administrator, by the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries* subscribed by all the four Judges.

*Note*, There had been a Decree for the now Defendant then Plaintiff to have the whole during Life, taking that to be the plain Intent of the Testator; and that Decree was signed and inrolled, the then Defendant, now Plaintiff, did not in that Case insist upon any Title as Heir; and therefore brought this Bill upon that Title, and conceiving himself to be intitled to a Moiety during the Life of *Elizabeth*, as an undisposed Interest, she having but a Moiety given her.

Case 139.

### *Halcott* versus *Markant*.

An Executor by the very Will impowered to Purchase Lands for the Heir; yet the Purchase being in his own Name, and he dead Insolvent, as to the other

**T**HE Plaintiff's late Father left the Plaintiff, his Son and Heir, a young Infant, and by his Will made the Defendant's late Husband and others his Executors, and Guardians and Trustees for the Plaintiff, and impowered them, if they thought fit, to lay out the Personal Estate in Land, and cause it to be settled on the Plaintiff and his Heirs.

Assets the Heir could not follow the Land to make it a Trust for him, tho' the Executor had told the Mother of the Purchase he was about to make, and had her Consent; and so the Executor's Heirs went away with the Land for want of Express Proof of the Application of the Trust Money.

*Markant*, (who was the sole, or at least the principal acting Trustee) being about to sell part of the Personal Estate of the Testator, told the Plaintiff's Mother of it, and that he should have Money in his Hands, and was about

about buying an Estate, called *Gressing-Hall*, for the Plaintiff the Infant, and asked her Consent, which she gave, and so it was proved in the Cause; and afterwards he bought that Estate, but took a Conveyance in his own Name, and no Trust in Writing ever declared for the Plaintiff; but 'twas proved in the Cause, that he had several Times declared, that it must be sold to make the Plaintiff Satisfaction, and afterwards he died Intestate and Insolvent.

The Question was, Whether his Heir should have the Land, or whether it should be in Trust for the Plaintiff, or be sold to make him Satisfaction.

The Master of the Rolls was very inclinable to help the Plaintiff as far as might be, and said, he thought the Case of *Kirk* versus *Webb* did not govern this Case; for there the Party did not know himself to be a Trustee, and had disposed of the Lands; he cited the Case of *Meers* versus *St. John*, and 4 *Inst.* Title *Court of Chancery*, and said, here is a good Foundation for a Trust, for here is a Commencement of a Trust by the Will in Writing, and *Markant* had declared, that *Gressing-Hall* must go to satisfy the Infant, and why then should not the Lands in the Hands of his Heir stand charged to make good what the Personal Estate falls short, and perhaps this may be a resulting Trust, and decreed an Account of the Personal Estate.

But afterwards dismiss'd the Bill, as to the *Gressing-Hall* Estate, and said, it was too hard for him, because there was no exprefs Proof of the Application of the Trust Money.

*Vachell* versus *Jeffereys*.

Case 140.

**M**R. *Bretton* had two Children by his Wife, and afterwards he grew into a dislike of her, and parted with her, and she had two Children more, which he

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*A.* devises to *B.* and *C.* his Wife's Children (as he called them, not owning them to be his) 10 s.

a-piece, and no more, and gave the Children that he owned considerable Legacies, *B.* and *C.* shall come in for a Share of the undisposed Surplus, for the Words of Exclusion must be taken strictly.



never would own to be his; he married his eldest Daughter, and gave her a considerable Portion, and afterwards made his Will, and gave to the two Children which he owned considerable Legacies, and then devises in this Manner, *Item*, I will, that my Executors shall pay to A. and B. the Children of my Wife 10 s. a-piece, and no more. Then he devised Legacies to his Executors, but did not mention them to be for their Care and Pains, or any Thing to that Purpose.

The 1st Question was, Whether the Executors should have the Surplus of the Estate, and it was decreed, that they should not, but that it must be distributed according to the former Resolutions.

2dly, Whether these two Children, which the Testator did not own, should come in for a Share; and it was decreed, that they should, for the Words of Exclusion are not plainly express'd; and shall be taken strictly in this Case.

Where a Person dies Intestate *quoad* a Surplus of his Personal Estate, a Daughter advanced by him in Marriage need not bring the Portion into

3dly, Whether the married Daughter's Portion should be brought into *Hotch-potch*; and it was decreed, that it should not, but she to have her Share with the rest, and the difference as to bringing into *Hotch-potch*, was said to be between Persons dying wholly Intestate, and dying Intestate *quoad* a Surplus.

Portion into *Hotch-potch* to intitle her to a Distribution Share.

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### *Loyd versus Cardy.*

Case 141.

**T**HE Defendant in this Case being advised, he had paid one *Naylor*, who was his Solicitor in this Cause, more Money than could be due to him, obtained an Order to have his Bills referred and taxed, which was done; and upon the Taxation he was reported to be overpaid 60*l*.

A Solicitor's Bill being taxed and reported over paid 60*l*. the Client on Motion and Affidavit of his being about to go beyond Sea,

had a *Ne exeat regnum*, tho' no Bill in Court whereon to ground this Writ.

Thereupon he moved the Court for a *ne exeat Regnum* against *Naylor*, on Affidavit that he was going beyond Sea with my Lord *Cornbury*, the Governor of *Jamaica*; and the Writ was granted by the Master of the *Rolls* in the Absence of my Lord *Keeper*, tho' there was no Bill in Court whereon to ground this Writ.

### *Kinder versus Miller.*

Case 142.

**J**. S. died intestate, leaving a Wife and two Daughters, Infants, and they became intitled to his Personal Estate in Thirds, which amounted to 900*l*. The Widow

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A. dies intestate, leaving a Wife and two Daughters; after his

takes Death 300*l*.

is found in the House; the Widow lays out this Money in Lands, and settles it to the Use of herself for Life, Remainder to her own right Heirs; after the Death of the Mother and two Daughters, Plaintiff as Administrator to the Daughters, brings a Bill against the Heir at Law, to have two Thirds of the 300*l*. out of the Land as Personal Estate, which was decreed accordingly by the Master of the *Rolls*, but reversed by my Lord *Keeper*.



takes out Administration, and within two Months after laid out 500 *l.* (Part of the Money left by the Intestate in his House at his Death, as was proved in the Cause) in the Purchase of Lands, and the Conveyance was to herself and her Heirs; and there was no Declaration of any Trust in the Deed, nor was she so much as mentioned therein to be Administratrix to her Husband.

Afterwards she conveyed these Lands to Trustees and their Heirs to the Use of herself for Life, and after as to one Moiety to the Use of one Daughter, and the Heirs of her Body; and as to the other Moiety to the other Daughter, and the Heirs of her Body, with cross Remainders, with Remainder of the whole to her own right Heirs.

The Daughters afterwards both married, and died, and the Mother died; the Husband of the surviving Daughter took out Administration to his Wife and her Sister, and brought this Bill against the Heir of the Mother to have this Land made Personal Estate, and to have two Thirds of it, as being purchased with the Money which belonged to the Daughters to whom he was Administrator.

The Defendants insisted on the Statute of Frauds and Perjuries, and that these Lands could not be subject to any Demands of the Plaintiff, there being no Declaration of Trust in Writing; and the Case of *Kirk* versus *Webb*, was cited and relied on.

The Master of the Rolls said that Case did not govern this, but stood on its own Bottom, and that here was an Interest vested in the Daughters by the Statute of Distributions, and said, it would be very mischievous to Infants, if their Money might be invested in Land, and that Land not liable to make them Satisfaction; and therefore he decreed that the Land should stand charged with two Thirds of the Purchase-Money for the Plaintiff, and if it were not paid, the Land to be sold; but this Decree was after reversed by my Lord Keeper *Wright*, as contrary to the Case of *Kirk* versus *Webb*.

## Neal versus Hanbury.

Case 143.

**J**ohn Neal by his Will devises 5*l.* per Ann. to his Nephew Thomas Neal (without adding to his Executors or Administrators) to be paid half Yearly during the Life of his Wife, on Condition he behave himself civilly to her, for he was a very lewd dissolute Man, and made his Wife Executrix, and died; and she intermarried with the Defendant Hanbury.

A. devises to his Nephew 5*l.* per Ann. (without saying to his Executors or Administrators) to be paid him during his the Testator's Wife's Life, By his Death

whom he made Executrix, on Condition that he demeaned himself civilly to her. the 5*l.* per Ann. is determined.

Thomas Neal the Devisee died, and his Wife the Plaintiff was his Administratrix, and brought this Bill *in forma pauperis*, to have the Payment of the 5*l.* per Ann. during the Life of the Executrix of John.

But the Master of the Rolls said this is a Personal Bequest to Thomas; and 'tis upon Condition he demean himself civilly to the Executrix, which cannot be after he is dead, therefore I cannot make a new Will; the Bill must be dismiss'd.

## Aplyn versus Brewer.

Case 144.

**A** Man made several Executors, who all joined in Sale of the Testator's Goods, but one only received the Money, and he afterwards became insolvent.

Per Lord Keeper, all who acted by joining in the Sale shall be charged; yet lately before, in the Case of Heaton and Marriot, where a Person had made a Conveyance to several Trustees for Payment of Debts, and they all joined in the Sale, and one only received the Money, and became insolvent; the others were not charged.

Executors who all join in a Sale, shall be all charged, tho' one only receives the Money: *Serius of Trustees.*  
1. R. 20. m. 83  
4. cor. 3. 2. 11.



Case 145.

*Farr versus Middleton.*

*A.* Treats for a Purchase with *B.* and the Lands to be purchased were incumbered with Mortgages and Judgments; the Purchase-Money being agreed, was returned to *London*, and placed in an indifferent Hand to be paid in Discharge of those Incumbrances, when the *Quantum* of them should be adjudged, and Assignments made; but before that was done, the Purchaser died, and did not leave sufficient Assets to pay his Debts upon Bond.

The Question was, Whether the Money deposited as aforesaid, should be Assets of the Purchaser, and be applied to pay his Debts, or must be applied to pay off the Real Incumbrances on the purchased Estate; for if it were to be applied to pay off these Incumbrances, then the Creditors of the Purchaser must lose their Debts; but if otherwise, then the Mortgagees, &c. would be paid out of the Land, by Virtue of their Securities, and the Creditors would have their Satisfaction out of the Money, and so all might be paid.

My Lord Keeper was of Opinion, that the Money was bound by the Agreement, and must be applied to pay off the Incumbrances.

Case 146.

*Jones versus Bassett.*

By the Infant's coming of Age, Administration *durante minori Estate* ceases, and Suit by such Administrator is thereby determined, so that the Infant

*A* Person who was Administrator *durante minori Estate* of two Infants, and intitled to a Share of the Intestate's Estate in his own Right, brought a Bill for a Discovery and Account, and proceeded so far as to Examination of Witnesses, and then got his own Share, and let the Suit drop.

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cannot go on therewith, but must begin anew, unless a Decree to account were had, in which Case the Infant on a Bill brought for that Purpose, may be allowed to go on therewith.

After the Infants coming of Age 'twas moved to have the Benefit of these Proceedings, and to carry on the Cause.

My Lord Keeper thought it reasonable if it could be done, that they might not be turned round to begin all anew, but thought the Suit quite dead, and at an End by the Infants coming of Age, whereby the Administration *durante minori Ætate* determined, and asked the Barr if any such Thing had ever been done; it was answered that the like had been done once by my Lord Chancellor Somers, in the Case of *Davis* versus *Davis*, where an Administrator *durante minori Ætate* proceeded to a Decree and Account before the Master; and then the Infant coming of Age, and praying, it was allowed to go on, though much opposed; but here 'twould not be granted, for *Davis's* Case had proceeded to a Decree; and tho' the Plaintiff there was Administrator *durante minori Ætate*, yet it was *cum Testamento annexo*, which by him made some Difference; and the Infant there had brought a Bill to have the Benefit of the said Proceedings, and offered to be bound by them.

### *Jaggard* versus *Jaggard*, & al', & econt.

Case 147.

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**M**R. *Jaggard* on his Marriage with Mr. *Sutton's* Daughter, in Consideration of that Marriage, and 2000*l.* Portion, covenants to settle certain Houses particularly named in the Deed, and all other his Freehold Estate, to the Use of himself for Life for her Jointure, then to the first and other Sons of that Marriage in Tail Male; and for Want of such Issue to the Daughters in Tail Male, with Remainder to himself in Fee;

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Fee, with a Power of Revocation reserved to the Wife's Father then beyond Sea. The Marriage is had, and a Daughter born, and the Husband being taken sick, devises 1500*l.* to his Daughter; and if his Wife (being *enfeint*) should have a Posthumous Daughter, she to have 500*l.* of the 1500*l.* and if either died before 21, or Marriage, the Survivor to have the whole; and gave all his Lands to his Wife and her Heirs, and the Surplus of his Personal Estate, after Debts paid, to his Wife, her Executors, and makes his Wife Executrix: Then another Daughter is born, and the Husband dies without any Alteration of his Will, or any Settlement made. Decreed that a Settlement be made, with a Power of Revocation to the Father; and that Legacies be likewise paid the Children, the youngest Daughter being a Posthumous Child, within the Intent of the Will.



and in the Deed was a *Proviso* that Mr. Sutton the Wife's Father should have Power by Deed, &c. to revoke all the Uses; he was a Merchant, and at that Time beyond Sea, where he lived a long Time.

The Marriage took Effect, and he had Issue a Daughter; and his Wife being again *enseint* with a Child, he was taken sick, and made his Will, and thereby devised 1500 *l.* to his Daughter; and if his Wife should have a Posthumous Daughter, she to have 500 *l.* of the 1500 *l.* and if either died before 21 or Marriage, the Survivor to have the whole; and gave all his Freehold Estate to his Wife, and her Heirs, and the Surplus of his Personal Estate, after Debts paid, to her, her Executors and Administrators; and if the Personal Estate was not sufficient to pay his Debts, the Real Estate to be charged with them, and makes his Wife Executrix, and hath another Daughter born; and then dies without any Alteration of his Will, and without making any Settlement pursuant to the Articles.

The Widow insisted, that no Settlement ought to be made; for that, if it had been made, her Father might revoke it, and so her Husband would then have it free, and have Power to devise it, and therefore she was well intitled to it by the Will; and that these Legacies should be intended to be devised in Satisfaction of the Settlement; and that it must be so intended, for that they had no other Real Estate but that which was covenanted to be settled, and that they must either accept them so, or not have them.

She likewise insisted, that the youngest Daughter being born in the Life-time of her Father, was not a Posthumous Child, and therefore not entitled to the 500 *l.* and the Childrens Bill was to have the Settlement made, and to have their Legacies.

They insisted, that as the Will did not mention those Legacies to be in Lieu of the Settlement, there was no Necessity to think he so intended, for he was to have the Reversion in Fee of the settled Lands, and that was

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sufficient to satisfy the Words of the Will, and was valuable too, for if the Infants die before 21, she will have it; or if they should live to that Age, yet during the Mother's Life, they could not suffer a Recovery to barr it; besides, they had no Provision during the Life of the Mother; and therefore 'twas reasonably to be intended he meant these Legacies for that Purpose, for their better Advancement in Marriage; for by the Settlement they were only to have a Remainder in Tail, and the Husband would have nothing, if his Wife died before she could suffer a Recovery, which could not be during her Infancy, nor during the Life of her Mother.

This Cause was heard before my Lord Chancellor *Somers*, and as to the first Point, he declared, the youngest Daughter, tho' born in the Life of her Father, to be a Posthumous Child within the Meaning of the Will, and well intituled to the 500 *l*.

But as to the other Point of the Settlement, he repited his Judgment, and directed a Letter to be wrote to Mr. *Hutton*, to know whether he would revoke the Settlement.

The Cause coming on this Day before the Lord Keeper *Wright*, upon the Point of the Settlement, he said, he would not Decree the Legacies to be in Satisfaction of the Settlement; and therefore decreed an Account of the Personal Estate, and the Infants Legacies to be put out by the Master, subject to the Contingencies in the Will, and that the Settlement should be made Pursuant to the Articles, and there was to be a Provision in it for Mr. *Hutton* to revoke, &c.



Case 148.

*Halford versus Byron.*

*A.* bound to *B.* in a Bond of 1000 *l.* for Payment of 500 *l.* after *A.* and *C.* as his Surety give a Bond to *B.* of 200 *l.* for Payment of 100 *l.* as a further Security for so much of the 500 *l.* Then *A.* Assigns a Judgment to *B.* of 500 *l.* towards farther Satisfaction of the Debt, and *B.* receives several Sums on this Judgment; and *A.* by the Consent of *B.* receives 30 *l.* also part of the Money secured on this Judgment, This shall not go in Exoneration of any Part of the Money secured by the 200 *l.* Bond, as it would do, if *B.* had actually received it, and lent it to *A.*

*A.* Was bound to *B.* in 1000 *l.* for Payment of 480 *l.* afterwards *A.* being robbed of 495 Guineas, *B.* thought his Money in Danger, and pressed *A.* for it, who got *C.* his Brother-in-Law to be bound with him to *B.* in a 200 *l.* Bond, to pay 100 *l.* and Interest, as a farther Security for so much of the 480 *l.* Then *A.* brings an Action against the Hundred, and recovers 540 *l.* and assigns the Judgment to *B.* and *D.* (his own Attorney) towards Satisfaction of the Debt; and the Sheriff paid several Sums to *B.* and 80 *l.* Part of the Judgment was paid to *A.* by *B.*'s Consent; and if this should be reckon'd as paid to *B.* at least so as to exonerate *C.* *pro tanto*, was the Question.

My Lord Keeper held, that it should not, because, that this Assignment of the Judgment, was but as a farther Security for the Money due on the 1000 *l.* Bond; and as the Obligee had got it, so he might release or discharge it, as he thought fit, and the Surety is not hurt by it; otherwise it would be, if the Money had been once actually paid to *B.* and after, lent again to *A.* so decreed an Account to be taken of what due on the 1000 *l.* Bond, and what due on the 200 *l.* Bond for Principal, Interest, and Costs, or so much less as remained due on the 1000 *l.* Bond, and the 200 *l.* Bond to be delivered up.

*Bishop versus Godfrey & al', Executors of* Case 149.  
*John Swift.*

**A**N Executor pays Bond Debts before Money, on a Decree against his Testator. *Per Cur.* clearly he shall not be allowed those Payments in his Account, because the Decree here is equal to a Judgment at Law.

A Decree equal to a Judgment at Law.

*Hopton versus Dryden.*

Case 150.

**R**obert Clerkson and one Founds, were Partners in the Trade of a Mercer; Clerkson is indebted by Bond to Edward Hopton in 2000 l. to which the Plaintiff was intitled as his Representative, and in 1300 l. to Dryden the Defendant's Testator, for which he and Founds were bound. Clerkson made his Will, and thereof Dryden and another Executors, and devises his Lands to them, and their Heirs, Share and Share alike, to be sold for Payment of his Debts, and died; they employ'd the greatest Part of his Personal Estate in paying off a Mortgage of 2000 l. charged on the Real Estate devised for Payment of Debts; but kept it on Foot, and took an Assignment thereof to themselves; and Clerkson had also a Bond taken in Dryden's Name for Money due to Clerkson.

Executor of an Executor may retain towards Satisfaction of the Debt owing by the first Testator, because he is Executor of the first Testator; but if one be indebted by Bond to A. and makes A. and B. Executors, and dies, and then A. makes C. Executor, and dies, in this Case C. cannot retain, because he is not Executor of the first Testator; but A. is his Executor, by Survivorship; and the only Reason of allowing Retainer, is because the Executor cannot sue himself.

The Plaintiff brought his Bill against the Executors of Clerkson for a discovery of Assets, and to have a Satisfaction of his Debt. Dryden in his Answer insists to retain out of the Real Estate when sold, and also out of the Personal Estate to pay his own Debt; the Cause proceeded to hearing, and a Decree for an Account; but before any farther Proceedings, Dryden dies, having made his Will, and the Defendant Dryden his Wife, Executrix, (who



(who was before Executrix of *Founds*) and the Cause was revived against her.

For the Defendant it was insisted, that the Mortgage being paid off with the Assets, which *Dryden* her Testator might have retained towards his own Satisfaction, and the Mortgage being kept on Foot, they in whom it is, ought surely in a Court of Equity to be looked on as Trustees for the Defendant for any just Demand he had on the Estate, or paid off with Assets, which he might have retained; and so it will be for the Real Estate too, if *Dryden* and the other Executor were Tenants in Common, as it was urged they were; and that a Court of Equity could not take them from them till they were paid, the Reason of Retainer by an Executor, is, because he cannot sue himself, and the Reason, as to the Heir is the same, and the Law must be so to, tho' there is no Instance of it.

For the Plaintiff, it was insisted, that the Defendant, as Executrix to the first Testator *Clerkson*, cannot pretend a Right of Retainer, for she is not his Executrix, for her Testator was not the surviving Executor of *Clerkson*, but the other Executor, who is still Living; and the Words of the Devise of the Real Estate do not make a Tenancy in Common, and then she has no Capacity of retaining; it was agreed, *Dryden* might have retained, but was not forced to it, *volens volens*, as was said on the other Side, tho' *prima facie*, it might be looked on as a Retainer. The Testator devised the Mortgage to be paid off out of his Personal Estate, and then to be sold to pay 2000 *l.* to his Grandson, which they have done, and therefore, *pro tanto*, have renounced their Right of Retainer; and this Debt for which the Defendant would Retain, was the Debt of *Founds*, as well as of *Clerkson*, they being Partners and Co-obligors, and she is Executrix of *Founds* also, and hath Assets of his to pay, and therefore could retain only for a Moiety of it.

Lord Keeper. An Executor of an Executor may Retain, but not in this Case; the Land being devised to  
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the Executors, Share and Share alike, makes, I think, a Tenancy in Common; but here the Executor of the Executor, is not the Executor to the first Testator, and therefore cannot Retain, and the Personal Assets are gone; and the Question is now, as to the Real Estate, and in Equity all Debts are equal; and therefore, if you must come here, you cannot prefer yourself, and a Court of Equity will never assist a Retainer; and these being only Equitable Assets, you ought not to retain to pay all, but only a proportionable Part; and as to the Bond, you are a Trustee, and therefore that must follow the same Rule.



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Cafe 151.

*Ward versus Lant.*

One executes a voluntary Bond of 5000 l. to one of his Daughters without any Condition, and payable immediately, but always kept it by him; and 'twas proved to be made to skreen himself from Taxes, and so esteemed by that Daughter; and he by Will gives Portions to all his Daughters, and dies, this Bond decreed to be set aside.

**M**R. *Andrew Lant* had four Daughters, and in 1673 made his Will, and devised to one 1000 l. and by the same Will devised to them 1500 l. a-piece for their Portions, which last Sums of 1500 l. were to be raised out of a Real Estate, devised by his Will for that Purpose; afterwards he marries one of his Daughters to Mr. *Francis Lane*, and gives her 4000 l. Portion, and afterwards executes a Bond of 5000 l. to another Daughter, but kept it by him, and it was found amongst his Papers after his Death, and there was some Proof in the Cause, that this Bond was entered into to defend him from paying Taxes for his Money; and there was some Proof likewise, that he had told his Daughter not long before his Death, that he intended her the Benefit of the Bond, it was plain he had forgot his Will, for he died not till 1694; and had often said, he had no Will, and 'twas not found till some Years after his Death, by the said Will he had given his Wife (whom he made sole Executrix) some Legacies, but had made no Disposition of the Surplus of his Estate. And the several Questions that were made in the Cafe were,

1<sup>st</sup>. Whether this Bond were to be paid to the Daughter, or to be set aside.

2<sup>dly</sup>. If it were to be paid, then, Whether it should be taken as a Satisfaction of the Legacies derived to her, or a Revocation of the Will as to them, and whether the unpreferred Daughter should be made equal out of the Surplus before any Distribution (if any were to be made in this Case.)

3<sup>dly</sup>. If there be not a Difference where the Wife has a Legacy, and is made Executrix, and the Surplus not disposed, and where a Stranger is; and if she shall not have the Surplus to her own Use, tho' a Stranger should not, especially in this Case, when the Will was made in 1673; and the Course of distributing the Surplus not introduced 'till long after, and therefore not to be carry'd on in Equity, to take it from the Widow, when the Law was not so at that Time.

My Lord Keeper was of Opinion, that tho' there was no Fraud or Circumvention in obtaining the Bond from Mr. Lane; yet that it appeared to be his Intention, that no Use should be made of it, for the Bond was without any Condition, and payable immediately, and he always kept it by him; and therefore, if she had got it from him, and put it in Suit against him in his Life Time, he thought Equity would have relieved him against it; that he always declared, that he intended his Daughters equal, and equality is the highest Equity; and the Daughter herself took the Bond to be only to protect him from Taxes; and being voluntary, and only done for that special Purpose; 'tis a Trust for himself, as this Case is, and therefore decreed it to be set aside, this Daughter being equal to the rest without that Bond.

As to Mr. Lane's 4000 *l.* Portion, that must be taken to be a Satisfaction of the 1500 *l.* given her by the Will for her Portion, and a Revocation of the Will, *pro tanto*, but as to the 1000 *l.* Legacy, that being a general Legacy given by the Will, Mrs. Lane must have it, notwithstanding the 4000 *l.* given her for her Portion; and the  
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Personal Estate shall not go to ease the Real Estate of the Legacies charged on it by the Will.

Decreed likewise, that the Widow must distribute the Surplus, for tho' the Law was taken otherwise at the making of the Will; yet by subsequent Resolutions, the Law is declared otherwise, and here is no Circumstances interven'd to alter the Judgment of the Court to what the Law was taken to be at that Time, as the dying of the Testator at the Time of the Will.

As to the *Hotch-potch*, he could see no Reason against it; and therefore the Portion must be brought in, and to the Daughters have the Benefit of it, but not the Wife, and 1500 *l.* coming of the 4000 *l.* coming out of the Land, this is only 2500 *l.* to be brought into *Hotch potch*,

Cafe 152.

2 Vern. 429.

S. C.

A Will of Land wrote by the Testator, and published in the Presence of three several Witnesses, at three several Times, and attested by all at the said

respective Times, in the Presence of the Testator, sufficient within the Statute of Frauds; but whether the Man's owning the Writing to be his, in the Presence of the Witnesses be sufficient, *Q.*

### Cook versus Parsons.

**T**HIS was a Bill of Review to reverse a Decree of my Lord *Nottingham* in 1682; for Sale of Lands subjected by the Will to the Payment of Debts; the Lands were devised to Trustees, and their Heirs, to set and Farm let, and out of the Rents (without saying and Profits) to pay his Debts, and all his Debts and Legacies being first paid, he gave the Surplus to *F. S.*

This Will was wrote with the Testator's own Hand, as was proved, and published in the Presence of three several Witnesses, at three several Times, and they all attested it in his Presence; but he did not Sign it in the Presence of the second Witness; but only owned the Signing to be his Hand, and desired him to attest the Will, as was proved by that Witness.

The Testator died, leaving an Infant Heir, and the Land was decreed to be sold, and no Day given the Infant to show Cause against it. The Objections to the Decree were,

1<sup>st</sup>, That this is no good Will within the Statute of Frauds and Perjuries, because not attested by all the Witnesses at one Time, and that one of them did not see the Testator Sign, but only own that it was his Hand. 2<sup>dly</sup>, If the Will had been well executed; yet the Words of it were not sufficient to ground a Decree for Sale, being only to Let and Set, and out of the Rents, without Saying and Profits, to pay, &c. 3<sup>dly</sup>, That tho' the Words had been sufficient to bear a Decree; yet the Infant should have had a Day given him, to show Cause when he came of Age.

My Lord Keeper held a Publication of a Will before three Witnesses, tho' at three several Times, good within the Statute, and thought the Writing the Will with the Testator's own Hand, a sufficient Signing within the Statute, tho' not subscribed nor sealed by him, but doubted whether owning the Subscription to be his, was sufficient; but the Validity of the Will is a Question at Law, and therefore ordered it to be tried.

As to the Words Let and Set, and out of the Rents to pay, he held them not sufficient whereon to ground a Decree for Sale, but the subsequent Words, that after his Debts and Legacies paid, it should be to the Trustees, were sufficient.

There needs no Day be given the Infant, because the Land is devised to the Trustees, so nothing descended to the Infant, and there was no Decree against him to join, and the Trustees might have sold without coming to the Court for Direction; and yet if they do come, it may be a Question, if the Infant Heir ought not to have a Day to show Cause; but he thought it not needful in this Case, because nothing descended to him, nor was there any Decree against him to Convey.



Case 153.

*Baskerville versus Gore & al.*

A Father in Consideration of 2600<sup>l</sup>. to be paid him on his Son's Marriage as the Wife's Portion, articles to settle 600<sup>l</sup>. a Year on the Marriage; and it being after discovered, that she had only 1600<sup>l</sup>. the Father was decreed to make a Settlement for the 1600<sup>l</sup>. only, in Proportion to what he was to have made for the 2600<sup>l</sup>. and not to deduct out of the 600<sup>l</sup>. per

Ann. 1000<sup>l</sup>. worth of Land, viz. 50<sup>l</sup>. per Ann. as was urged he should; for then, by the same Reason, if she had nothing, it might have been urged, that only 2600<sup>l</sup>. should have been deducted out of the Settlement, and he be obliged to settle the rest for nothing.

A Treaty of Marriage was held between the Defendant *Richard Baskerville*, the Plaintiff's eldest Son, and *Jane* his Wife, formerly the Wife of *Rayner*; and the Defendants affirmed she had 2600<sup>l</sup>. Fortune at her own Disposal, and thereupon the Marriage was agreed on, and Articles entered into, whereby it was recited, that the Defendant *Jane* had a Fortune of 2600<sup>l</sup>. which was to be paid the Plaintiff (without saying by whom) and in Consideration thereof, the Plaintiff did Covenant with the Defendant *Gore*, Uncle of the Defendant *Jane*, that he would within six Months after the Marriage, on Payment of the 2600<sup>l</sup>. settle certain Lands in the Articles mentioned, and said to be 600<sup>l</sup>. per Ann. Value, on the Defendant *Richard*, for Life, then 250<sup>l</sup>. per Ann. Rent Charge to the Defendant *Jane* for her Jointure, then the whole to the Issue of that Marriage in Tail, with the Remainder to the right Heirs of *Richard*.

The Marriage took Effect, and after it was discovered that 1000<sup>l</sup>. part of *Jane's* Fortune was settled by her and her former Husband, *Rainer*, in such Manner, that it would come to the Issue of this Husband (all her Children by her former Husband being dead;) but it could not be paid to the Plaintiff, nor could he have any Benefit of it; so the Articles were not performed on either Side.

The Father brought this Bill against the Son and his Wife, and their Infant Son, and the Trustee in the Articles, that the Articles might be performed mutually in a short Time, or he be discharged therefrom, he being willing, on his Part, to settle on Payment of the 2600<sup>l</sup>.

It appeared by the Answers, that the 1000 *l.* was so settled, that it could not be paid to the Father ; but the Defendants offered, that the Plaintiff should keep 50 *l.* *per Ann.* Land, out of the Settlement to satisfy himself that 1000 *l.*

But that the Plaintiff would not submit, and said, it was only paying him out of his own, and might have been with as good Reason urged, that if no Part of the 2600 *l.* would have been had, the Plaintiff should have kept 2600 *l.* worth of Land out of the Settlement, and so have settled the rest for nothing ; for in the one Case, as well as the other, it might be said, that the Plaintiff had 2600 *l.* which was all he contracted to have ; but the Plaintiff offered, if the 1600 *l.* might be quietly paid him, he would make a Settlement for that, in Proportion to the Settlement he was to have made for the 2600 *l.* but the Defendants did not like this, but insisted, there should be only 1000 *l.* worth of Land kept out of the Settlement.

The Master of the *Rolls* said, he could not Decree him to do more than make a proportionable Settlement ; so then the Defendants said, they would find some Way or other to raise the Money for the Plaintiff, and the Decree was, that if the Defendants did within six Months pay the 2600 *l.* the Master was to see the Settlement made pursuant to the Articles, or if 1600 *l.* then a proportionable Settlement, or else the Articles to be discharged.

*Note,* By the Articles, the Son was to have had the Rents from the next Rent Day, and the Father the Interest of the Portion ; but there having been no Performance, the Master of the *Rolls* would not Decree the Plaintiff to account for the Rents, and take the Portion with Interest from that Time, the Father not being obliged by the Articles to make any Settlement till the Portion paid.



Case 154. *Darston* versus Earl of *Orford*, & al',  
Executors of *Russel*, who married Lady  
*North*, Widow and Executrix of Lord  
*North*.

After a Bill  
and Answer  
put in, the  
Executor vo-  
luntarily paid  
a Bond Debr,  
and allowed

**T**HE Lord *North* had granted a Rent Charge to the Plaintiff, and covenanted for Payment of it, and it being greatly in Arrear, he died much indebted to several Persons, both by Bond and simple Contract. on the Account, because he might, by confessing Judgment, have preferred him, and no Difference in Reason, where paid without such Confessing.

The Plaintiff brought his Bill in this Court for a Discovery of Assets, and to have Satisfaction of his Debt. After Process served, and Answer put in, *Russel* voluntarily paid a Bond to J. S. without Suit: The Cause proceeded to Hearing, and an Account was decreed. *Russel* died, and the Cause was revived against his Executors only; and the Question was, Whether this voluntary Payment pending a Suit here should be allowed them on the Account.

For the Plaintiff, it was insisted, that it should not, for when a just Creditor makes a Demand in this Court, it is not according to good Conscience not to pay it, and even at Law a voluntary Payment to a Creditor in equal Degree is not good, after an Action brought by another; and it has been adjudged to be the same Thing here, particularly in the Case of *Joseph* versus *Mott*, where Payment on a Recovery at Law, or Action brought after a Bill was depending here, was disallowed on the the Account, after great Debate.

On the other Side, it was said, that tho' a voluntary Payment be not good at Law, after an Action brought by another; yet an Executor in that Case may confess Judgment to which he pleases, and pay with Safety, which here he cannot, nor have an Injunction to stay the Action at Law.

My Lord Keeper thought the Payment ought to be allowed; he said it seemed to be admitted, that if the Executor had confessed Judgment at Law, the Payment would have been good; and why should not a voluntary Payment, without confessing Judgment, be as good in Equity, for there is no Difference in Reason; and if Money be to be laid out in a Purchase, and settled on A. in Tail, upon a Bill brought here, the Court will decree the Money to be paid to him; because if the Purchase and Settlement had been made, he might have disposed of it, tho' there must have been the Formality of a Recovery or Fine, yet being in his Power, it is look'd upon as the same Thing; but this is a Point of Consequence, let the Precedents be searched, and I will consider of it.

Afterwards, 3 June 1702, this Cause came on again, and such Precedents as could be found, were produced on both Sides; and my Lord Keeper seemed to be of the same Opinion as formerly, and said it was an intolerable Inconvenience, that an Executor might be obliged: You cannot oblige a Man to take less than his Debt; and how then can you stop him for going on at Law to recover it? The Case of *Joseph* versus *Mott*, is a Precedent against me, but I think that is a direct Change of the Law; but I will consider of it till to Morrow.

The next Day he said he had considered of the Precedents, and was bound up by them, and therefore ordered the Exception taken by the Defendants to the Masters Report to be over-ruled, and the Payment (being voluntary) to be disallowed; but he seemed to disapprove of the Case of *Joseph* versus *Mott*, where the Judgment at Law was fairly obtained.

Note; Afterwards an Appeal was brought in the House of Peers from this Decree, and on the 21st Day of November, 1702, the Decree was revers'd, and the Payment allowed.



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## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 155.

### '*Shepherd* versus *Kent*.

One devises all his Real and Personal Estate for Payment of his Debts and Legacies, and dies; a Creditor obtains Judgment against the Executor; and then he and some other Creditors, who had not obtained Judgments, bring their Bill, and had a Decree for Sale of the

Estate, and to be paid their Debts in Proportion. The Judgment Creditor received several Dividends, after having proved his Debt before the Master, then petitioned for a Re-hearing, on Pretence that he being a Judgment Creditor, ought to have a Preference before the other Creditors, at least out of the Personal Estate; but the other Creditors having joined in the Bill, and contributed to the Charges of the Suit, and several Dividends being made pursuant to the Decree, the Court wou'd not alter it, and held, that if any Preferences were to be, the Plaintiff ought to bring what he received into *Hotch-potch*, and that he ought to take either all Law or all Equity.

The Earl of *Kildare* and his Trustees, brought a Bill against the Executors and two others, who were Devisees, and likewise Creditors of the Testator, to have the Lands mentioned in the Note, made a Security for the 8000*l.*

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and on hearing of that Cause, it was decreed that Estate should be sold, and that out of the Purchase-Money the Earl should be paid in the first Place, and that then the rest of the Creditors should be paid in a Course of Administration.

The now Plaintiff, and several others of the Plaintiffs, who were no Parties to the first Decree, brought Actions at Law against the Executors upon their Bonds, and recovered Judgment; and afterwards they and some others of the Plaintiffs, who had obtained no Judgments, brought this Bill against the Earl of *Kildare* and his Trustees, and against *Kent's* Executors and others, setting forth their Debts; and that the Executors concealed the Assets, and pretended to prefer other Creditors of an inferior Nature; and for that Purpose pretended that the Earl of *Kildare* had obtained a Decree to have his Debt (which was secured only by a Note) paid him before them, which if it were so, was obtained by Collusion, and would not have been so decreed, in Case a proper Defence had been made; and they being no Parties to that Suit, ought not to be bound by it, but that it ought to be set aside.

The Cause came to a Hearing, and the Court declared they saw no Reason to alter the Earl of *Kildare's* Decree, so as against him. The Bill was dismissed.

Then the Decree went on farther, and said, that all the Estate of Mr. *Kent* should be sold, and the Money brought before the Master, and the Creditors should go before the Master, and prove their Debts; and after Payment of the Earl of *Kildare*, the Surplus to be divided amongst the rest of the Creditors proportionably; and the Plaintiff *Shepherd*, and the others, who had obtained Judgments, went before the Master and proved their Debts, and as the Money was brought before the Master, received several Dividends of the Money arising by Sale of the Real Estate.

There being a considerable Sum before the Master, which was raised by Sale of the Personal Estate, *Shepherd* and



and the other Creditors, who had obtained Judgments, petitioned for a Rehearing of the Cause, for that the Decree ought to have given them a Preference before those Creditors who had not obtained Judgments, at least out of the Personal Estate, and so had the Decree done that was at first made, on hearing of the Earl of Kildare's Cause, by saying, *That after he was satisfied, the other Creditors should be paid in a Course of Administration.*

The other Creditors who had no Judgments, opposed altering the Decree, and said, the Plaintiff and the other Judgment Creditors ought to take all Law or all Equity; and now they had brought them in here by this Bill, and made them contribute to the Charges of this Suit, and had received Dividends under the Decree, they ought not to alter it on a Re-hearing to prefer themselves; and that a Judgment obtained after the first Decree ought not to avail them; besides, if the Plaintiffs would have Advantage of their legal Preference, they ought to bring all they had received by Virtue of their Judgments into *Hotch-potch*.

'Twas replied, that they having a legal Preference by their Judgments against the Executors, and their Bill being only to give them a Preference before the Earl of Kildare's Note, which was not allowed, they ought to have been dismiss'd generally; and their receiving their Shares before the Master of the equitable Assets, where they had no Preference, ought not to prejudice them as to the Personal Assets, where they have a Preference; and there can be no Pretence for their bringing any Thing into *Hotch-potch*. A Man indebted by Bond devises his Real Estate for Payment of his Debts, a Creditor recovers Judgment against his Executor, but the Real and Personal Assets will not pay all the Debts, shan't his Judgment entitle him to the Personal Assets? And shall he not come in for his Proportion also of the Equitable Assets, for what remains unpaid? Or if one has both a Bond and a Mortgage for his Debt, and one

is worth nothing, than't he make up the Inconveniency of the one by the other, and foreclose, if not paid?

Lord Keeper. This Point is not now before me, and if it were, I think, if they would have any Benefit of the Equitable Assets, they ought to bring what they had received into *Hotchpotch*. As to the Decree, I am of Opinion it is just, and will not alter it; when you, who are a Judgment Creditor, bring a Bill with others, and pray a Satisfaction of your Debts, and Relief, I think you ought not afterwards (when you have made them contribute to the Charge) to make Use of any legal Preference.

### Tovey versus Young.

A Factor buys Cheese for his Principal, and then breaks, and an Action is brought against the Principal, and a Recovery at Law; the Plaintiff here endeavoured in the Court of Law to have got a new Trial, but was denied it.

they brought their Bill for a new Trial in an indifferent County, but the

And now this Bill was brought, and suggested for Equity, that before the Cheese was bought, he had countermanded the Authority of the Factor, and that the Defendant had Notice of it (but that was denied by the Answer, and not proved).

Another Suggestion was, that there could not be an indifferent Trial in *Suffolk*, for that almost all the Freeholders there were concerned in Interest, and had declared they never would find against their Countrymen.

The Plaintiff likewise found out since the Trial, that the principal Witness, on whose Testimony the Recovery was had, was Partner with the Insolvent Factor, and cited the Case of *Hennell versus Kennell*, 11 February, 28 Car. 2. where an Action was brought against an Administrator, who pleaded *plene Administravit*; and the Trial was brought down by *Proviso*; and at the Trial the Defendant being put to prove a Sum of 50 l. paid

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Case 156.

4 May.

2 Vern. 437.

S. C.

Verdicts being recovered in *Suffolk*, by the Factors against the *London Cheesemongers*,

the Bill dismissed.



before the Plaintiff's Original, which not being provided to do, a Verdict was against him; yet after finding the Note, whereby his Witness was enabled to swear that Matter, on a Bill brought here, a new Trial was granted: And *Humphreys* versus Sir *Robert Payton*, 11 November, 15 Car. 2. where a Recovery in a Trial at Barr was set aside, on new Matter discovered; and affirmed on Re-hearing, 2 May, *Ives* versus *Hanks*, 8 December, 3 Jac. 2. of a *Cheshire* Factor, alledging, he sold to him as a Merchant, and not as a Factor; and *Tills* versus *Wharton*, first heard here, and after in the House of Lords, where a new Trial was granted after a Trial at Barr.

Lord Keeper. Bills for new Trials ought to be reduced to some Certainty; the Grounds for Relief were usually Partiality in the Jurors, or new Discoveries; as to the 1st, the Trial is to be by a Jury *de Vicineto*; but if Cause, the *Venue* may be changed to another Place, Challenges may be allowed, or an Attaint granted, and these are to be at Law; and the Court where the Cause is tried, may, if they see Cause, grant a new Trial, which here you have attempted, but could not prevail, and I can't grant a new Trial for Partiality; New Matter may in some Cases be Ground for Relief; but it must not be what was tried before: Nor when it consists in Swearing only, will I ever grant a new Trial, unless it appears by Deed or Writing, or that a Witness, on whose Testimony the Verdict was given, were convict of Perjury, or the Jury attainted; and it does not appear the Witness and Plaintiff at Law were Partners; and if the Jury had declared they would find for the Plaintiff, the Court at Common Law would have taken Order in it. The Case of *Gratiam* was Matter in Writing; and in the Case of *Humphreys* versus *Payton*, it does not appear what the new Matter was. *Ives* versus *Hawkes* was tried in *Nottinghamshire*, and not in *Cheshire*, and went without Defence; yet a new Trial was denied at Law, but granted here, because the Right had never been try'd; but that was not for Partiality. *Tilly* versus *Wharton* differs

fers much. *Tilly's* Bill was dismiss'd, and *Wharton's* Cross Bill came on, and a Satisfaction of the Bond decreed out of the Trust Estate that was altered above, and another Trial granted, and that went a contrary Way; and Controversies this Way will never have an End.

*Note*; This was first heard at the *Rolls*, and dismiss'd; and now that Decree confirmed on Appeal.

### *Brewin versus Brewin.*

Case 157.

May 13.

**A** Man by his Marriage Settlement creates a Term for raising 3000*l.* for a Daughter and Daughters of that Marriage, to be equally divided between them, if more than one, and to be paid within a Year after his and his Wife's Death.

A Term is created by Marriage Settlement to raise 3000*l.* for Daughters Portions, within two Months after

the Death of the Survivor of the Husband and Wife, there being one Daughter; the Father devises the Trust Lands to make good his Wife's Jointure, and to raise 3000*l.* for his Daughter's Portion, the Daughter shall not have two Portions of 3000*l.* and she dying at the Age of five Years, and the Portion to be raised out of Land, it shall not be raised for her Administrator, but the Interest or Maintenance the Child was intitled to shall.

Then he by Will (having one Daughter, his only Child, and Heir) devises the Inheritance of several Lands to his Wife, to make up her Jointure 300*l.* per Ann. and for raising 3000*l.* for his Daughter's Portion, without limiting any Time of Payment, and devises the said Lands so charged by the Settlement with the 3000*l.* to his Brother.

The Daughter brought a Bill against the Devisee of the Lands, to have the 3000*l.* or Foreclosure, but died, pending the Suit about five Years of Age.

Her Mother Administers and revives the Suit, and insisted on the Case of the Earl of *Rivers* versus *Derby*, and that there was no Provision for Maintenance for the Daughter, till the Portion became payable, and therefore it was payable presently.

The Defendant alledged by his Council, that if the Case rested on the Deed alone, the Plaintiff could have no Right, and the Will does not mend it; the 3000*l.* by



by that is the same as the 3000*l.* by the Deed, for they do not demand two 3000*l.* and then it must stand on the Deed.

As to the Time of Payment, the Will having appointed no Time at all; but taking it in the most favourable Sense for the Infant, it can be construed (being a Portion) payable only when she wanted a Portion, which could not be at five Years old; and this Case is upon the Reason of all the Cases of *debitum in presenti solvendum in futuro*, and so within the Rule of *Pawlet* versus *Pawlet*, 2 *Vent.* and the Will was only to better the Fund, the Settlement being defective in Value, and is plainly not substantive, but relative to the Deed; and if it were, 'twould be against them; for being a Portion, and out of Lands, 'twou'd sink for the Benefit of the Heir; and the Distinction between a Deed and a Will has been exploded even in that Case.

Lord Keeper. If it had been a Personal Legacy, it must have been paid, and that presently, tho' the Child dies before the appointed Day, or as a Devise out of Land by the Will, tho' no Time of Payment limited; but here the Will is relative to the Settlement, and both make but one Security; and by the Will the Portion should have been raised in a reasonable Time, when the Child came to want it, but not presently, tho' she should have had reasonable Maintenance. In the mean Time 'tis within the Rule of all the former Cases, in Case of a Personal Legacy, payable at 21, or Marriage, I think the Court always appointed Maintenance out of the Interest of it, but not expressly limited otherwise in the mean Time, and the Bill was dismiss'd by the Master of the *Rolls*, and affirmed on Appeal, but the Land was charged with 100 *Marks per Ann.* Maintenance for the Child whilst it lived.

*Kent versus Kent.*

Case 158.

**O**N a Motion this Day made, and Debate of the Matter, it was held by the Lord Keeper, that where a Decree is for an Account, and then the Cause abates by the Defendant's Death, his Representative may revive as well as the Plaintiff, both being in Nature of Plaintiffs.

After a Decree to Account and Abatement of the Suit by the Defendant's Death, his Representative may revive.

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## Term. S. Trinitatis,

1702.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 159.

*Bateman versus Bateman.*

Whether Equity can give Relief on the Statute against fraudulent Devises being introductive of a new Law.

**A** Man binds himself and his Heirs, and dies, leaving a Real Estate to descend to his Heir, subject to a Mortgage for Years; the Heir aliens the Real Estate before a Bill brought; and if the Obligee was relievable here against the Heir, and Purchaser, on the Statute for preventing fraudulent Devises, or if he was to be sent to Law to get Judgment first, was the Question.

My Lord Keeper thought, that Statute being introductive of a new Law, the Relief on it must be at Law, and held likewise, that a Bond Creditor could not redeem a Mortgage for Years, without first having Judgment at Law against the Heir, though it might have been otherwise, in Case of a Mortgage in Fee.

*Note; Chancey al cet jour done Relief sur dit Stat. en tiel Case.*

## Ive versus Ash.

Case 160.

**T**HE Defendant being a Captain of Marines, agrees with the Plaintiff to sell it him for 600*l*. to be paid such a Day agreed on between them, and the Defendant agrees to procure a Commission to be signed by the King for the Plaintiff by that Day, to be Captain in the said Regiment; and the Plaintiff gave a Bond for Performance of the Agreement, and a Warrant of Attorney to confess Judgment, which after was entered up.

The Statute of Ed. 6. does not extend to Military Offices; and the 7*W. & M.* only to Horse, Foot, and Dragoons.

The Defendant quitted his Employment, and gets the Commission signed by the Time, and 'twas left in the Secretaries Office, and the Plaintiff had Notice of it; but he being desirous to go off from his Bargain, wou'd not take it out; and so the Captain's Place was given to another.

The Plaintiff being prosecuted at Law, on the Judgment, brought this Bill, and now insisted, that by the Statute of Edw. 6. against selling Offices, the Bargain was void, at least by the 7*th* of W. and M. which enacts, That every Commission Officer before his Commission registered, should take the Oath there mentioned, that he had not directly or indirectly given any Thing for procuring the Commission, but the usual Fees, which the Plaintiff could not do; and therefore as to him it was *nudum Pactum*, and an Undertaking to procure a Commission for him must be intended, such a one as he might have Benefit by, which here without Perjury he could not; and the Defendant being an Officer, knew of this Law, tho' the Plaintiff did not, and so 'twas a perfect Surprise upon him, and he having no Benefit by it, ought to pay nothing for it.

On the other Side it was said, and the Court was clearly of the same Opinion, that this is not within the Statute of Edw. 6. and as to the other Statute, it extendeth only to Horse, Foot, and Dragoons, not to the Marines;



Marines; and if it did, yet it did not prohibit selling, but only provides, that the Officer shall take the Oath, and the Defendant has lost the Employment, and done all, that by the Agreement he was obliged to do. Suppose the Plaintiff had been obliged to take any other Oath, and would not have taken it, must the Defendant have lost his Money and Place; and therefore the Court held, that he must pay the Money, and his Lordship likened it to a Bond, *pro enfiamento & favore*, which if reduced to a Judgment, 'tis not avoidable at Law, nor ever relievable here; and the Plaintiff was decreed to pay the principal, Interest and Costs at Law, but not here.

This Decree was affirmed on Appeal to the House of Lords, and on Enquiry of Officers, the Marines were not looked upon to be within the Statute of 7th of *Will.* and *Mary*, nor required to take the Oath.

Case 161.

*Crowthers versus Crawley.*

*A.* takes a Goldsmith's Note from *B.* who was his Debtor, when he might have been paid ready Money. The Goldsmith Fails before the Money could be received, *A.* shall bear the Loss, tho' no neglect in him.

**A** Man takes a Goldsmith's Bill from his Debtor, when he might be paid Money; afterwards, and before the Bill could be received (without any Default or Neglect of him that took it) the Goldsmith fails; he that took the Bill shall bear the Loss; and the Lord Keeper thought it ought to be so always on a general taking, unless the Party who gives the Bill warrants it for a certain Time, for then it is his Hazard during that Time.

Case 192.

*Eales versus England.*

*A.* Devises 300 l. to *B.* which he Wills him to give *C.* his Daughter at his Death, or sooner, if there be Oc-

casion, for her better Preferment. *B.* dies before the Testator; but *C.* survived, and died at the Age of 16 Years, this is not a lapsed Legacy, but shall go to the Representative of *C.* *B.* being only in the Nature of a Trustee.

**E**lizabeth Heydon made her Will, and devises in these Words, *I give to B. 300 l. one 100 l. whereof he owes me by Bond, which I intended to have given his Daughter C. but my Will is, that he give the said 300 l.*

to C. at his Death, or sooner, if there be Occasion for her better Preferment, and makes the Defendant Executor.

B. dies before the Testatrix, and C. survived the Testatrix; but died about the Age of 16 Years, and the Plaintiff takes Administration to her; and the Question was, Whether this be not a void Legacy, B. dying before the Testatrix?

'Twas said for the Plaintiff, that C. was in Nature of *cestui que Trust*, and therefore the Legacy not lost by the Death of the Trustee before the Testatrix, and she could not mean any Benefit to B. because, if a Match had offered he would have been compellable to pay it before his Death.

On the other Side, 'twas said, the Gift was to B. and the Trust for C. only for particular Occasions, which by her Death are at an End, suppose B. had survived the Testatrix and C. could her Executor have taken it from him? The Case of Lord Kennet versus Duke of Bedford, was the same Case of a Real Estate, that the Devisee should at his Death devise the Lands to the Lord Goring and per Lord Nottingham decreed only a Recommendation not a Trust.

For the Plaintiff it was farther urged, that the Question here was only between the Administrator of C. and the Executor of *Elizabeth*; suppose the Use had been given to B. for Life, and after to C. tho' B. had died before *Elizabeth*, yet C. would have had it presently, and the Desire is absolute to give C. at his Death. A Man gives 200 l. to the Mother, willing her to devise it over to the Daughter, 'twas decreed at the *Rolls* it should go to the Representatives of the Daughter, and that Decree was affirmed by my Lord Somers.

The Master of the *Rolls* said, there is in the Will a Devise of all the Rest and Residue not before devised, therefore this cannot go back to the Executrix as a lapsed Legacy; but is, as if 'twere given to B. for Life, then to C. then it would certainly have gone over, and C. might have had a Bill for it in his Life, if there had



been Occasion, and he had survived *Elizabeth*, and Words of Recommendation and Desire in a Will, are always expounded a Devise, and here B. is but a Trustee, which will not Prejudice *cestui que Trust*: If the Trustee die without Heir, the Lord by Escheat will have the Land at Law, yet subject to the Trust here, therefore he decreed it for the Plaintiff.

Case 163.  
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A. seised in Fee, devises Black Acre to B. for Life, and devises to C. all his Lands not before devised to be sold for Payment of Debts; by

### *Rook versus Rook.*

ONE devises *Black Acre* and *White Acre* to A. and after by the same Will devises to B. his Executor, all his Lands not before particularly disposed of, to be sold for Payment of Debts; and the only Question was, Whether this would pass the Reversion of *Black Acre* and *White Acre*.  
by this Devise, of all his Lands, &c. the Reversion of *Black Acre* passes to C.

'Twas argued, that it shall not, because all the Land not before particularly disposed of, is exclusive of the Lands before devised, tho' the whole Estate in them is not devised, and that an Heir is not to be disinherited on doubtful Words.

On the other Side, 'twas said, these Words were only meant to have such Estates as had been before devised, not to exclude the Remainder of them for passing, for which was cited *Allen* 28. *Hely versus Hely*, 3 Mod. and the Testator had no other Lands left to devise but the said Reversion.

My Lord *Keeper* was clear the Reversion passed; and on Advice with all the Judges of C. B. they all held so too, on a Case stated to them for their Opinion.

Mrs. *Ash*'s Case.

Case 164.

**M**R S. *Ash* was committed as a Lunatick, and whilst she was under Commitment, was forcibly taken away by Mr. *Parker*, and married to him (for which Contempt to the Court he was committed) and the Marriage controverted in the Spiritual Court, and she was now brought into Court to be inspected; and on her Inspection, my Lord Keeper was of Opinion she was in her right Mind, and the Question was, Whether she should be discharged of the Commitment, and left to her Husband; or if she were to be continued under Commitment, if her Husband *Parker* should be the Committee?

If one Marries a Lunatick, who is under the Care of the Committee of the Court: This is a Contempt, for which the Person marrying may be committed, and Marriage is no Super-*sedes* of the Commitment, so as to take him or her out of

the Custody of the Committee.

Sir *Thomas Powis* said, several married Women have been committed, and cited one *Grono's* Case in 1698; he married, and after was committed to his Sister, and on a Prosecution the Marriage declared void in the Spiritual Court; for Marriage, tho' it were an undoubted one (which this is not) does not take her out of the Committee's Custody; and there is no Case makes any Diversity between a married Woman and another; for the Husband himself hath not the Commitment as Husband, when he is Committee.

Sir *John Hollis* cited *Clark's* Case, where the Marriage was disowned; and *Emerton's* Case, where on Trial before the Lord *Hales* concerning her Marriage, the Woman was sequestred, but *Windham* was against it; and in *Bicknal's* Case, the Woman was left at Liberty. Mr. *Fane's* Wife was at first committed to a Stranger, and after to her Husband.

Lord Keeper. Tho' she is not out of Order now, she may be again, the Commitment is *Regium Munus*, not a Prerogative, but a Duty; and the Marriage, tho' good



good, is no *Superfedeas* to it, as was held in *Fane's Case*, but is controverted; but I think she ought not to go back again to the same Commitment, though I will not now discharge her from it; suppose she did contract when mad, and agreed and consummated when sober, 'twould be good.

Sir *John Cook* being asked, if he had known the Party sequestred, where the Mariage was consummated, answered, Yes, often, how else shall the Marriage be controverted.

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1702.

IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Henriques versus Franchise.*

Case 163.

**T**HE Defendant had Stock in his Name in the *East India* Company, in Trust for the *Plaintiff*, and a Bond in his own Name from the Company, but in Trust for the *Plaintiff*; and the *Plaintiff* being beyond Seas, drew a Bill on the Defendant, and promised to send him in Effects wherewith to pay it.

The Defendant accepts the Bill, and after, but before the Day of Payment, the *Plaintiff* Fails, and afterwards the Defendant sells the Stock and Bond (at great Discount) at the then current Price, to enable him to Answer the said Bill. Two Years after, the *Plaintiff* comes to him to sell and reimburse himself; the Stock and Bond 'rose in Value, and now on a Bill brought for an Account, the Question was, If the Defendant should account according to the Value he sold them at, or according to the then current Value.

*Per curiam.* The Want of Effects was sufficient to justify the Sale without Orders, for so much as was necessary to pay the Bill; but the Stock alone appearing sufficient for that Purpose without the Bond, the Defendant must answer the Value of that, as it was, when

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the Plaintiff gave Directions for the Sale, and decreed accordingly.

Case 166.

*Wood & Ux' versus Fenwick & Ux'.*

One being poor drawn in to sell an Estate at a great under Value; yet, if no Fraud, cannot be relieved.

THE Plaintiff Wood's Wife, as Heir to her Brother, had an Inn in Newcastle descended to her, which was Let at 69 l. per Ann. but was subject to a Mortgage. The Plaintiffs being poor, were inveigled to sell this Inn, and all their Interest therein, to the Defendant Fenwick, for 80 l. and after, brought a Bill for Relief against the Mortgage, and all other his Debts; and at the End of the Bill pray Relief on the whole Matter, and the Administrator was made a Defendant.

On hearing of the Cause, my Lord Keeper was of Opinion, that tho' the Purchase was not a fair Bargain, yet no such Fraud appeared as to set it aside.

Then the Plaintiffs insisted, that if the Court would not set aside the Conveyance, yet they had a Right to have the Personal Estate applied to exonerate the Mortgage, which they had not sold to the Defendant, nor received any Consideration for it; and therefore having the Administrator, and all proper Parties before the Court, were proper to ask a Decree to have so much out of the Personal Estate, as would have exonerated the Mortgage.

My Lord Keeper said, he thought the Bill not proper for that Purpose; but declared, if it had, he should not have extended that Matter so far; for that the Equity that an Heir has in such a Case, is only for the Sake of the Real Estate descended to him, that that may be clear to the Family; and here the Heir having parted with the Real Estate, has no Right to the Personal Estate, which he might have demanded to exonerate his Real Estate, in Case he had kept it, so the Bill was dismiss'd.

**Jesson versus Effington**

Case 167.

**I**N this Case, my Lord Keeper was of Opinion, that by a Devise of all Rings and Household Goods, Plate used in the House did not pass.

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Another Point debated was, if a Freeman of London dies, leaving several Orphans, and any of them die under Age, whether his Part is by the Custom to go to the Survivor.

*Vernon* for the Plaintiff argued, that it did by the Custom go to the Survivor, and had known a Case where one married an Orphan, and made a Settlement on her, and she after died under Age, her Fortune went to her surviving Brothers and Sisters, and her Husband could not have it; 'twas admitted by the Court and Council, that the Father's Will in this Case (which gave it to the Survivors) did operate nothing, because they did not claim under him; but by the Custom paramount the Will, tho' a Case was cited *Temp. Eliz.* where it was held, that the Father may devise the Orphanage Part of a Child, if he die within Age; so that it be not to the Prejudice of another Orphan.

Afterwards 5th 1702, the Recorder certify'd the Custom to be, that if the Orphan Son dies before 21, his Share Survives; and if a Female dies unmarried, and within the Age of 21, her Share Survives likewise, and the Orphan cannot give it away by Will.

**Feaubert versus Turst.**

Case 168.

**O**N a Marriage of two French People in France, the Contract was, That the Husband surviving the Wife, should have two Thirds of her Fortune for Life (whereas by the Custom of *Paris*, where they married, he would have had but a Moiety) and 300 Livres in the first Place, by Way of Present, and that the rest should

An Agreement made at *Paris* on the Marriage of two French People touching the Wife's Fortune, decreed here to be executed accordingly.



go according to the Custom of *Paris*; after, they fled hither from the Persecution; and several Years after, the Wife died, her Relations brought a Bill for an Account of the Estate, and to have the Benefit of the said Contract.

'Twas objected they could not bring over the *French* Law hither, but must now be governed by the Laws of *England*, where the Husband surviving is intitled to all the Wife's Personalty, at least, there was no Colour to carry it further than the Sum stipulated in the Contract, and not to that which was left to go according to the Custom of *Paris*, which is only a Local Law, and therefore they could have no Benefit of it here.

'Twas answered, that Marriage Contracts are to be supported in all Countries, without Regard to the Place where made; and that this Contract did extend to the whole Fortune of the Wife, and not only to the Particulars mentioned; and the saying the rest should go according to the Custom of *Paris*, is as much as if the Custom had been recited at large, and that the Fortune should go so.

My Lord *Keeper* decreed Relief only as to the Sum stipulated; but on Appeal to the Lords, they had Relief for the whole.

Case 169.

### *Croyston versus Banes.*

If on a Bill brought to have Execution of a Parol Agreement; the Defendant by Answer confesses the Agreement without insisting on the Statute of Frauds, &c. the Court will decree an Execution, because no Danger of Perjury.

**I**N this Case the Master of the *Rolls* declared, that if a Bill be brought here for Execution of a Parol Agreement, which is in no Part executed, if the Defendant does by Answer confess the Agreement without insisting on the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*, the Court will decree an Execution of the Agreement, because when the Defendant confesses it, there is no Danger of Perjury, which was the only Thing the Statute intended to prevent.

*Martyn*

*Martyn versus Kingsly.*

Case 170.

**I**N this Case a Difference was made, where a Man trusts his Scrivener (who puts out Money for him) with the Custody of his Bond, and where with the Custody of his Mortgage; in the first Case, if he receive the Money, and delivers up the Bond, this shall barr the Obligee; not so in the Case of a Mortgage, because a legal Estate is vested, which cannot be divested without Assignment.

If one trusts his Scrivener (who puts out Money for him) with the Custody of his Bond, and the Scrivener receives the Money, and delivers up the Bond, the Obligee is barred as a-

gainst the Obligor for ever; *secus* in Case of a Mortgage, because a Legal Estate is vested, which cannot be divested without Assignment.

*Rudyard versus Neirin & ux.*

Case. 171.

**T**HE Defendant *Hannab* being Daughter of Mr. *Hampton*, on a Marriage Treaty between her and the Plaintiff's Testator's Son *Thomas Rudyard*, in Consideration of 1200*l.* paid, or secured to be paid to the Father and Son, or one of them, in Part of her Portion, and in Consideration 1200*l.* more, due and owing to her by the *Chamber of London*, and other Expectancies out of the Personal Estate of her Father; and in Consideration of 5*s.* a Settlement was made on her by Way of Jointure, and a Covenant in the Deed, that the Jointure Lands were of the clear Yearly Value of 240*l.* *per Ann.*

A Woman having 1200*l.* in Possession, and 1200*l.* in the Chamber of *London*, on her Marriage, the Husband's Father, in Consideration of this Fortune, settles 240*l.* *per Ann.* Jointure on her; the Husband dies, and the Wife administers to him, and

the Representatives of the Husband's Father bring a Bill for the 1200*l.* in the *Chamber of London*, the Father being, as alledged, a Purchaser of it by the Settlement. Bill dismis'd the Husband, having done nothing to alter the Property in his Life-time.

The Marriage was had, and *Thomas Rudyard* the Son died intestate without Issue, and without making any Alteration of the Debt due from the *Chamber of London* to his Wife; she takes out Administration to him, and afterwards intermarried with the Defendant.

*Thomas Rudyard* the Father died, having made his Will, and his Wife Executrix, who never demanded this

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Debt, but died, having made her Will, and the Plaintiff her Executrix; and there having been a little before the Death of *Thomas Rudyard* the Father, an Act of Parliament made for turning the Chamber Debt into a perpetual Interest.

The Plaintiff as Executrix of *Mary Rudyard*, who was Executrix of *Thomas Rudyard* the Father, brought this Bill against the Defendants to have an Account of this Debt, and to have it assigned to her, for that, as 'twas alledged, the Settlement did amount to an Agreement, that the Father should have the Benefit of this Debt, the Settlement being made by him, and this being Part of the Consideration, and therefore she as his Representative intitled to the Benefit of it; or if it should be taken upon the Wording of this Deed, that the Father and Son were jointly intitled to it, the Father would have the whole by Survivorship; or if it were to go equally to the Father and Son, she as Representative of the Father, wou'd be intitled to a Moiety of it.

The Defendant insisted, that when he married his Wife, he took this Debt to be her own, and that this did not amount to an Agreement, that either Father or Son should have this Debt otherwise than as it did belong to the Wife; and tho' 'tis true, he as her Husband might have disposed of it; yet having done nothing of that Kind, it does now belong to the Wife that has survived him; and of that Opinion was my Lord Keeper, and dismiss'd the Bill.

Case 172.

9 December.

A Father makes a voluntary Settlement to Trustees and their Heirs in Trust, to receive the Profits, and to put them out for the Increase of the Fortunes of his Daughters *A.* and *B.* and also executes a Bond to the same Trustees to pay them 1000*l.* at a certain Day, in Trust for the said Daughters, but kept both Deed and Bond by him till his Death, and received the Profits; and then by Will taking Notice of the Bond, gives Legacies to *A.* and *B.* in Satisfaction thereof, and the Surplus of his Personal Estate to his said two Daughters and his four younger Children; yet *A.* and *B.* electing to have the Benefit of the Settlement and Bond decreed for them, and an Account of the Profits from the Date of the Settlement, and the 1000*l.* with Interest, from the Time it was payable by the Bond.

### *Barlow & ux', versus Heneage.*

THE Case was, *George Heneage* made a voluntary Settlement to Trustees and their Heirs in Trust, that they should receive the Profits, and put them out from

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from Time to Time for the Increase of the Fortune of his Daughters *Winifred* (the now Plaintiff) and *Cicely*; and if either of them died before 18, or Marriage, the whole to go to the Survivor, and entred into a Bond of 2000 *l.* Penalty to the same Trustees, to pay 1000 *l.* to them at a certain Day in Trust for the said Daughters, but kept both Deed and Bond in his own Power, and received the Profits of the Estate till his Death.

Afterwards by Will, taking Notice of the said Bond, he gives to his said two Daughters, Legacies in full Satisfaction of the Benefit of the said Bond; and the Surplus of his Personal Estate, after Debts and Legacies paid, to go equally between the said Daughters, and his four younger Children.

The Plaintiffs brought this Bill to have an Account of the Personal Estate, and a Satisfaction for the Profits of the settled Estate, from the Date of the Settlement, and the 1000 *l.* with Interest, from the Time it was payable.

'Twas objected, that the Settlement and Bond being both voluntary, and always kept by the Father in his own Hands, and so might have been destroyed when he pleased, were to be taken only as a cautionary Provision, in Case of sudden Death, and therefore they ought not to have either Profits or Interest, farther than from the Death of the Father; and the rather for that, otherwise it would swallow up all the Personal Estate, and leave the younger Children unprovided for.

But my Lord Keeper said, these were the Father's Deeds, and he could not derogate from them; but at last the Defendants agreed to set the Profits of the Lands received during the Father's Life against the two Daughters Maintenance, but insisted to have Interest on the Bond for the Time the Money was payable, and 'twas decreed accordingly.



Case 173. *Earl of Peterborough* versus *Dutchess of Norfolk.*

Depositions taken in a Cause where in Tenant in Tail, or the Father is only Tenant for Life; Remainder to the Son cannot be read against the Son.

**I**N this Case my Lord *Keeper* declared his Opinion, that Depositions taken in a Cause where Tenant in Tail is Party, cannot be read against the Issue in Tail. But *Note*; This was extrajudicial, and not the Point in Question, for the Case at the Barr was of Tenant for Life, with Remainder to his Son in Tail; and the Depositions were taken in a Cause, wherein only the Father Tenant for Life was Party.

Case 174.

*Button* versus *Price.*

No Proofs to be read in the House of Lords, which were not made Use of in Chancery.

**T**HIS Cause was heard by Default in Chancery, and this Decree made absolute by Default; and the Defendant brought an Appeal before the Lords, but the Proofs not having been read below, they would not suffer them to be read above; so the Appeal was dismiss'd.

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1702.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

### *Warr* versus *Warr*.

**U**PON a Marriage Settlement, the Father had Power to raise a Term for 99 Years, in Lands, not exceeding 200*l.* per Ann. for raising Portions for younger Children, viz. to the eldest of the younger Sons 1000*l.* and 500*l.* a-piece for every other younger Son, and so for the Daughters, to be paid at such Time as the Trustees in their Discretion should appoint for their better Maintenance and Preferment; the Father limits a Term accordingly, and dies, leaving two Sons and two Daughters; the youngest Son is put out to a Sea Captain, and dies at seventeen, the Trustees having made no Appointment for Payment of his Portion, the Daughters attained 21, and the Trustees appointed their Portions to be paid, which was done accordingly; and they likewise insisted on having a Share of the youngest Brother's Portion.

The eldest Son brought this Bill to have the Term assigned to him, his Brother being dead before he had Occasion for his Portion, and before any Appointment by the Trustees, and therefore it ought to sink in the Inheritance for his Benefit.

Case 173.

26 February.

Portions provided by Marriage Settlement for younger Children, to be paid at such Time as the Trustees shall think proper. One of the Children dying at seventeen before any Appointment, his Portion shall sink in the Inheritance; but Maintenance, and a Sum paid in placing him out Apprentice to be allowed out of the Trust Estate.



The Master of the *Rolls* was of the same Opinion, and decreed the Term to be assigned the Plaintiff, but it was agreed all the Children were to be maintained out of the Trust Estate, they having no Maintenance appointed in the mean Time, and what had been employed for putting out the younger Son to go out of the Trust Estate.

Case 176. *Attorney General*, at the Relation of *Hindley* versus *Sudell*, *Heskith* and *Scarsbrick*.

*A.* mortgages a Manor (to which an Advowson was appendant) in Fee to *B.* then *A.* presents *E.* by Symony; and *C.* being for that Reason refused by the

**T**HE Defendant *Heskith*, seised of a Manor with an Advowson appendant, makes a Mortgage of the said Manor in Fee (which Mortgage after came to the Defendant *Scarsbrick*) then he presented one *B.* by Symony, and *B.* was for that Reason refused by the Bishop; then he presented the Defendant *Sudell*, and he was instituted and inducted. *Bishop*, *A.* presents *D.* who is admitted, &c. but after resigns, and is again presented by *A.* and *B.* the Relator having got an Assignment of the King's Title for the Symony, brings his *Q. Impedit* and a Bill in this Court, that the Mortgage may not be set up, nor given in Evidence against him at Law, and decreed accordingly.

The Relator *Hindley* being informed of *B.*'s Symony, applied for the King's Title; but before he had got it, *Sudell* resigned, and was again presented by *Heskith* and *Scarsbrick*.

The Plaintiff brought a *Qua. Imp.* and also this Bill, to discover if it was not agreed; that notwithstanding the Mortgage, the Mortgagor should present, and to be relieved; and that the Mortgage might not be given in Evidence at Law.

As to the Discovery of the Symony which the Bill sought, the Defendants demurred, and it was allowed by the Court.

But as to the other Matters, it was urged for the Relator, that if this Court will not assist, the Statute of Symony will signify nothing; and that this Court helps

the King to an Equity of Redemption, being entitled by Forfeiture for Treason; it was likewise urged, that the Mortgagee is but a Trustee for the Mortgagor; and in this Case the Mortgagee joined with the Mortgagor, which shews he did not do it as insisting on his own Right: And the Policy of the Law is, that one who has been guilty of Symony, shall not be admitted to present again. A Mortgage here is considered only as a Security for Money; now the Mortgagees Money is never the better secured, and 'tis a Thing not saleable, and therefore the Mortgagee is not to have the Presentation; and all that is sought is but to remove an Impediment to try a Title.

On the other Side 'twas said, the Mortgagee is not a Trustee in this Matter, especially the Mortgagee being in Possession; that an Advowson is valuable, and comprehended within the Mortgage, and may be sold; and this is a Penal Law, and not to be aided in this Court.

Lord Keeper. I consider what will be the Consequence both Ways, and if this Practice be not avoided, 'twill in a great Measure avoid the Laws against Symony, for this will lead to the Case of Trustees; and it being a constant Rule here, that *Cestui que Trust* shall have the Benefit of the Thing, if he be to have it, to all Intents, but to forfeit; then the corrupt Patron shall present by his Trustee, which is contrary to the plain Intention of the Act; and tho' this be called a penal Law, yet this Court will aid remedial Laws, not by making them more penal, but to let them have their Course, and the Law knows nothing of a Trust; and therefore this Court will take Care that its own Notions shall not be made Use of to elude so good and beneficial a Law; and decreed the Title not to be set up.



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1703.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 177.

*Sir John Packington versus Barrow.*

If a Fine be gained by Fraud from a Feme Covert under Age, who dies, and her Heir buys in a prior Mortgage, and then levies a Fine, and five Years pass, and then those who claim under the Fine, bring a Bill to redeem, &c. Equity will not assist them claiming under such fraudulent Title, and also by Reason of the Fine and Non-claim.

**S**IR *Herbert Parrott* had Issue *Herbert Parrott*, his Son and Heir by his first Wife, and by his second he had Issue a Daughter, who was married to the Plaintiff *Sir John Packington*. *Herbert Parrott* married a young Heiress, and by indirect Means procured her to levy a Fine of her Inheritance when she was under Age; and *Sir Herbert Parrott* his Father was one of the Commissioners who took the Fine; and the Uses of the Fine were declared to be to her and her Husband, and the Heirs of their two Bodies, Remainder to the Heirs of the Survivor.

She afterwards died in her Minority without Issue, and her Husband survived her, and made a Mortgage of the Premises, or Part of them, to *Mr. Vanaker*, and died without Issue, and the Land descended to *James Parrott* his Uncle, and from him to *Sir Herbert Parrott* his elder Brother, and from him to his Daughter the Wife of the Plaintiff *Sir John Packington*; but the Defendant *Barrow*, who was Heir at Law to *Mrs. Parrott*, who had levied the Fine, had purchased in *Vanaker's* Mortgage, and

got into Possession, and levied a Fine, and five Years passed, and the Deed declaring the Uses of the Fine that was levied by Mr. Parrott and his Wife, was lost.

Sir *John Packington* and his Wife, who were intitled under this Deed and Fine, brought this Bill to have a Discovery of the Deed, and a Redemption of the Mortgage.

The Defendant pleaded the ill Practices in obtaining the Fine, and also his own Fine and Non-claim, and that there was no such Deed as the Plaintiff sought a Discovery of; or if there was, it was obtained by Fraud.

On arguing the Plea, the Benefit of it was saved to the Hearing; and now the Cause coming on to be heard, the Plaintiff having proved such Deed to be executed, and the Substance of it, wou'd have it presumed to be in the Defendant's Custody, because he had purchased in the Mortgage, and the Mortgagee cou'd have no good Title without it, and prayed that the Mortgage might not be set up against them.

The Defendant alledged, that the Plaintiff had not proved that the Defendant had the said Deed, or purchased in the said Mortgage, or that there was any Mortgage at all, or if there were, it was but of Part of the Lands, and therefore would not hinder their going to Law, and said, that the Fine levied by the Defendant, and Non-claim, made a good Title at Law to him; or however, that this Court wou'd not assist the Plaintiff, who claimed under a Fine so ill obtained; and the rather for that the Plaintiffs were Volunteers without any Agreement previous to the Marriage of the said Feme Covert to settle her Estate.

'Twas replied, that no Doubt there was such a Mortgage, else the Defendants need not oppose an Order that it should not be set up at Law; that the Defendants were no Purchasers; and tho' the Court will not perhaps aid an ineffectual voluntary Conveyance, yet if the Conveyance be good, the Court will assist it to have all the Consequence of a Conveyance.



*Curia.* The Defendant insists there was no such Deed; or if there was, it was obtained by Practice, and also on a Fine and Non-claim, and Sir *Herbert*, in taking the Fine from his Daughter in Law, could not have been assisted here, and the Plaintiffs claim under him. All Titles at Law that are not directly against Conscience, shall be assisted here to a Redemption; and if there were only a Blemish in the Title, so should the Plaintiffs, but I cannot get over the Fine and Non-claim; the Plea is good, dismiss the Bill.

Case 178.

*Bushnell* versus *Parsons.*

*A.* makes a Lease to *B.* (his Wife's Nephew) for 21 Years, for Payment of his Debts and Legacies, and at the same Time by Will taking Notice of the said Lease, de-

vises the Lands after the Expiration of the said Lease to *C.* his Nephew and Heir, and makes *B.* Executor. *A.* lives twelve Years, and pays all his Debts himself; and the Personal Estate was sufficient for the Legacies. *E.* brings his Bill to have the Lease delivered up, the Trusts being performed, but dismiss'd, the Reversion only after the Expiration of the Term being devised to him.

The Testator lived twelve Years after the making this Lease and Will, and paid all his Debts himself, and left Personal Estate more than sufficient to pay his Legacies.

The Plaintiff brought this Bill for an Account of the Profits, and to have the Lease delivered up, the Trusts for which it was made being performed.

The Defendant by Answer insisted, that the Testator intended he should have the Benefit of this Lease, and had one Witness that swore, that on the Defendant's Treaty of Marriage with his Wife, the Testator, to promote it, said, he had settled a Lease for 21 Years on him.

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My Lord Keeper put the Case of a Devise of a Legacy to a Mother for Maintenance of her Child; and the Child die, the Mother shall have the Legacy, and thought the Defendant's Proof sufficient to rebut the Plaintiff's Equity, if he had any, which he thought he had not, the Reversion only being devised after the Expiration of the Lease, and said it did not differ from the Case of *Crompton versus North*.

*Angell versus Smith.*

Case 179.

THE Plaintiff brought a Bill in *forma pauperis*, and had a Decree to recover the Duty with Costs; the Master taxes Costs as usual for Persons not *Paupers*.

Where the Plaintiff a Pauper had a Decree for the Duty and Costs, and the Master taxed full Costs; yet on Motion, ordered Plaintiff and his Solicitor to make Oath before a Master of what they had paid or were to pay, and that to be allow'd, but no further.

Defendant moves, that he may tax only *Pauper* Costs, and said it was unreasonable the Plaintiff should have more Costs than he was out of Pocket; that it would encourage *Paupers* to be vexatious to be assured if the Cause went against them, they should pay no Costs; and if for them, should recover not only the Thing in Demand, but a good Sum of Money too, which they never expended; and cited the Case of *Harvey versus Tudor*, 22 December, 9 W. 3. where the Plaintiff, who was a *Pauper*, having obtained a Decree with Costs, and the Master having taxed Costs as usual, on Exceptions to the Master's Report, for that Cause the *Chancellor* allowed only *Pauper* Costs.

On the other Side it was said, that the Council, Clerks and Solicitors gave their Labour to the *Pauper* out of Charity, and not to his Adversary, and therefore he ought to have Costs as others, where the Decree is for Costs generally; though the Court may, if they find him vexatious, order *Pauper* Costs only, but that is by Special Order, in Cases of Contempts, insufficient Answers,



swers, &c. but where Costs are stated, and of Course he is to have the same as those that are not *Paupers*, and cited the Case of *Hautton* versus *Hager*, where the Plaintiff a *Pauper* had a Decree with Costs, and the usual Costs were taxed; and on Petition that it might be *Pauper* Costs only, the Lord *Sommers* would not allow it.

My Lord *Keeper* said, 'twas unreasonable any one should have more Costs than out of Pocket, and ordered the Plaintiff and his Solicitor to make Oath before the Master; and what they swore they had paid or were to pay, was to be allowed, but no further.

Case 179

Where the Plaintiff a Pauper had a Decree for the Debt and Costs, and

THE Plaintiff brought a Bill in Equity, and had a Decree to recover the Debt with Costs;

The Master takes Costs usual for Petition, not exceeding

the Master's Costs, and his Solicitor's, and his Counsel's, and his

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# Term. S. Trinitatis,

1703.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Langdon Executor of Dickenson versus African Company and Dockwray.*

Case 180.

**I**N 1676 the Plaintiff's Testator being Commander of the Ship *Hunter*, sent by the King (at the Instance and Charges of the *African Company*, to whom the King had granted the sole Trade on the Coasts of *Guinea*, exclusive of all others) to seize all Interlopers in *Africa*.

Where one recovered in Trover against a Servant of the *African Company*, Equity would not relieve, because Plaintiff in Equity might

at Law have defended himself; but decreed that the Company should indemnify the Plaintiff at Law (one of the Defendants in Equity) might prosecute the Decree in the Servants Name.

Accordingly in 1677, he seizes the Ship *Anne* (whereof the Defendant *Dockwray* was Freighter) trading in *Africa*, and she was condemned as a Prize in *Africa*, and her Cargo accounted for to the *African Company*.

In 1696, the Defendant *Dockwray* brought Trover and Conversion against the Plaintiff's Testator, and recovered 2500*l.* Damages for the said Ship and Cargo.

This Bill was brought to be relieved against it, but was dismiss'd as against the Defendant *Dockwray*.



But as against the Company it was decreed they should indemnify *Dickenson*, and that the Defendant *Dockwray* might prosecute the Decree in *Dickenson's* Name; and tho' *Dickenson* had received 700*l.* from the Company for that Service out of the said Cargo, he was not to refund or abate that, because it was only a Gratiuity to him, he acting only as a Servant or Agent to them, and as to the *Quantum* of the Damage they were bound by the Recovery against *Dickenson*, because they might have defended the Trial; and this was said to be in the Nature of an interpleading Bill.

Case 181.

*Rawston versus Reading.*

A Case was ordered to be stated, and was this; *William Lane* had Issue only two Daughters, one whereof was dead; and left Issue *Lane Bernard* her Heir, and one of the Co-heirs of the said *William Lane*. *William* by Will devises the Estate to *Lane Bernard* and his Heirs; and if he should take one Moiety by Descent, and the other by Purchase, or the whole by Purchase was the Question; and it was adjudged he took the whole by Purchase.

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## Termino S. Mich.

1703.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Webster versus Bishop & al.*

**P**Laintiff and Defendant's Testator had submitted to an Award by Order of this Court, and the Testator was awarded to pay a Sum of Money, and an Attachment went against him pursuant to the late Act for Non-payment of the Money awarded (the Ward having been controverted here by Affidavits, pursuant to the said Acts, and established by the Court) but he dying before any farther Proceedings, a *Sci. Fa.* was now pray'd against the Heir and Executor, to show Cause why they should not pay the Money.

Award, tho' established by the Court, is not in Nature of Judgment, or Decree to be prosecuted, but in Nature of a Contempt, which dies with the Person, and so held all the Judges.

'Twas urged, that it will not lye, because there is no Cause in Court, and the Statute says only, it shall be prosecuted as in Case of a Contempt in other Cases, and a Contempt dies with the Person.

On the other Side, 'twas said, that this was in Nature of a Judgment or Decree, and the Executors might be brought in to pay it, if they had Assets; but because this concerned all the Courts as well as this, the Judges were consulted in it, who all were of Opinion, that the Prosecution

Case 182.

2 Vern. 444

S. C.

One of the Parties to an Award made on a Submission in Court pursuant to the late Act of Parliament, dies before the Money paid, no *Sci. Fa.* can issue against his Heir or Executor to enforce Payment for the

to be prosecuted,



tion determin'd by the Death of the Party, and could not be revived or carried on farther.

Case 183.

*Staplehill & Ux' versus Bully.*

A Limita-  
tion to a  
second Son in  
Remainder  
in Tail on a  
Settlement  
made on the  
Marriage of  
the first Son,  
and in Consi-  
deration of  
the Wife's Portion, makes not the second Son a Purchaser.

*A.* The Father, having Issue *B.* and *C.* his Sons, on the Marriage of *B.* covenants before the End of *Easter* Term, then next following to levy a Fine to the Use of *B.* and the Heirs of his Body, Remainder to the Use of *C.* and the Heirs of his Body, Remainder to *A.* in Tail, Remainder to him in Fee.

The Fine was levied as of *Easter* Term, but the Marriage being put off till after *Easter* Term, the Deed was not dated till after, neither so, the Fine was levied before the Date of the Deed, and by Consequence, the said Deed was no Declaration of the Uses of that Fine.

The Father died, and then *B.* dies, leaving Issue *William*, and *William* being Sick, and having borrowed some Money of the Defendant, who was his Brother-in-Law, made him a Lease for 99 Years, if three Lives so long Live, under a Proviso, to redeem on Payment of what due, and within a few Days after dies without Issue.

*C.* claimed the Lands, by Virtue of the Marriage Settlement, and brought an Ejectment, but could not prevail, by Reason of the said Defect before mentioned; and so he brought this Bill to have the Settlement made Good, and the Defendant's Lease set aside.

But because the Limitation in Remainder to him was voluntary (the Consideration of *B.*'s Marriage not extending to it) and the Settlement not good, *C.* was but an Equitable Remainder-Man in Tail at best, and *William*, who made the Lease to the Defendant, was also Tenant in Tail, in Equity, and might, by any Conveyance bar the Settlement; therefore the Plaintiff must Redeem on the Terms in the Lease; for any Conveyance by Tenant in Tail, in Equity is good, and decreed accordingly.

Attorney General, at the Relation of the Case 184.  
 Parishioners of *St. Clements Danes* ver- Novemb. 9.  
 fus Lady *Hart* & al'.

**T**HE 5th of *Ed. 6.* one *William Burton*, in Confi- Lands of 8 l.  
 deration of 160 *l.* conveys a Messuage, call'd the per Ann. pur-  
*Slaughter-House* in *High-Holbourn*, then in Lease at 8 *l.* chased by a  
*per Ann.* to several Persons in Fee, in Trust, to apply the Parish in  
 Profits for Maintenance of 12 Men of the Parish, who Trust for  
 had been Church-Wardens; and that when the Number Charitable  
 of Trustees were reduced to four or three, they to fill Uses, by  
 up the Number. Building, &c.

1000 l. for the Use of the Parish, make this Estate a Security for 100 l. per Annum  
 the Parishioners would set aside this Agreement as a Breach of their Charity, but their Bill improve to  
 dismiss'd. 450 l. per  
Ann. and the  
Trustees by  
Order of the  
Vestry for  
Annuity, and

After, by Building, &c. the Rent of the Premises  
 was increased to 450 *l. per Ann.* and employ'd in Aug-  
 mentation of the Charity.

19 July 1682, a new Feoffment was made to other  
 Persons, and the Charity expressed in the Deed in the  
 same Manner, as in the first Deed only, that here 'twas  
 expressed to be for the Poor in general, without con-  
 fining it to the Number of 12.

The Trustees, by Order of the Vestry, for 1000 *l.*  
 paid for the Use of the Parish, devise Part of the Pre-  
 mises to some of the Defendants for 99 Years, if the  
 Lady *Hart*, so long live, under a Proviso, to be void,  
 on Payment of 100 *l. per Ann.* to her, during so many  
 Years of the said Term as she should live, and in the  
 Deed, 'tis mention'd, that the Premises were conveyed  
 to the Grantors by Deed 19th July 1682.

This Bill was now brought to set aside this Deed of  
 Annuity, as being made in Breach of the Charity, and  
 so already decreed by the Commissioners of the Charita-  
 ble Uses, and by them set aside.



The Defendants insisted, they had a good Title at Law, and were Purchasers for valuable Consideration, and the Money paid for the Benefit of the Parish, and no express Notice of the Trust was made out, but only by a Recital; and, however, the Land was at first a Parish Purchase, and the Profits not above 8 *l.* per Ann. 'tis to be presumed the Parish at their Charges improved it to 450 *l.* and therefore have the disposal *pro tanto*; and the Parishioners from Time to Time have made Leases on Fines, and employ'd the Money to pay Parish Debts; and if this be set aside, all must, and 'twill be no Benefit to the Poor, and all above the Maintenance of 12, they may dispose of to any other like Uses.

The Lord Keeper seemed clear to dismiss the Bill; but after, the Plaintiffs submitted to pay the Arrears, and growing Payments, and so 'twas decreed, and Costs spared.

Case 185.

*Cason & al' versus Round & al'.*

Notice must  
be denied  
positively,  
not evasively.

**C**ASON had a Mortgage of certain Lands, whereof the Defendant had a Prior Mortgage, and afterwards lent a further Sum to the Mortgagor on a Statute; but as the Plaintiff alledged, the Defendant had Notice of the Plaintiff's Mortgage before the last Money lent. Defendant by Answer did not deny Notice positively, but evasively; and the Plaintiff could not prove Notice, till after the lending the last Money; yet, because the Defendant had not deny'd Notice positively, Lord Keeper and Master of the Rolls decreed a Redemption, on Payment of the first Money only.

Case 186.

*Ashton versus Ashton.*

**O**NE devises his Real and Personal Estate to make up the Portions, provided for his Daughters by his Marriage Settlement 3000 *l.* a-piece, provided they marry with the Consent of their Mother and Brother,

and if without such Consent, then to be applied to other Purposes.

Lord Keeper and Master of the Rolls held this a subsequent Condition, and that the additional Portions are payable at the same Time with the Portions provided by the Settlement, which was 18, or Marriage; and therefore decreed the Lands to be sold to the best Purchaser, and the Money to be brought before the Master, and Interest paid the Daughters from their respective Ages of 18 Years, and the Principal at 21, if they were then married with such Consent; and if not then married, they to give their own Recognizance to repay for the Purposes in the Will; if they after marry without such Consent, and the Court declared they could not dispense with the Forfeiture, nor alter the Will.

*Sir George Child & Co. v. Child*

Case 187.

**M**R. Lee was Father to the Plaintiff's Wife, and in his Hands a Legacy of 1000 l. which had been given her by a Collateral Ancestor. On her Marriage with the Plaintiff, the Defendant's Father gives her 1000 l. Portion, and after settles a Church Estate on the Plaintiff, and maintained them 14 or 15 Years at his own House, and no Notice was taken of the Legacy, nor for ought appeared did the Husband know any Thing of it; yet after some difference between them, and a Bill brought, the Legacy was decreed with Interest and Costs; and the Master of the Rolls said, he could not discharge it, tho' he dissolved the Suit.

*Woolnough v. Woolnough*

Case 188.

**I**N this Case, my Lord Keeper declared, that a Devise by will by testator in Tail in Trust, is good with- out any further Act to bar the Issue in Tail.

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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1703.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 187.

*Sir George Chidley & Ux' versus Lee.*

A Legacy of  
150*l.* given  
by a Colla-  
teral Ancef-  
tor to the  
Daughter of  
A. which was paid A. and who after gave her 1000*l.* Portion, fettled a Church Lease  
on her, and maintained her and her Husband 14 Years; yet held no Satisfaction.

**M**R. Lee was Father to the Plaintiff's Wife, and had in his Hands a Legacy of 150 *l.* which had been given her by a Collateral Ancestor.

On her Marriage with the Plaintiff, the Defendant her Father gives her 1000 *l.* Portion, and after fettles a Church Lease on the Plaintiffs, and maintained them 14 or 15 Years at his own House, and no Notice was ever taken of the Legacy, nor for ought appeared did the Husband know any Thing of it; yet after some difference between them, and a Bill brought, the Legacy was decreed with Interest and Costs; and the Master of the *Rolls* said, he could not discharge it, tho' he disliked the Suit.

Case 188.

*Woolnough versus Woolnough.*

A Devise by  
*Cestui que*  
Trust in Tail  
sufficient to  
bar the In-  
tail.

**I**N this Case, my Lord Keeper declared, that a Devise by *Cestui que Trust* in Tail in Trust, is good without any farther Act to bar the Intail in Tail.

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# Termino Paschæ,

1704.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Sir Richard Leving* versus *Lady Caverly* Case 189.  
& al'.

**T** WAS agreed *per Cur.* that the Answer of a Superannuated Defendant put in by Guardian, is to be read against him, as an Answer of one of full Age put in in Person; and a Difference was taken between such an Answer and that of an Infant put in by Guardian; because an Infant improves and mends, as my Lord Keeper said, and therefore is to have a Day, to shew Cause after he comes of Age; but the other grows worse, and is to have no Day.

The Answer of a superannuated Person put in by Guardian, shall be read against him, as an Answer of one of full Age; *scilicet* of an Infant, who is to have a Day to shew Cause.

*Hodgson* versus *Hitch* & al'.

Case 190.

**A** Man makes his Will, and thereby devises part of his Real Estate to B. (who was his Heir at Law) paying 100 l. which he owed on Bond to *Steel*, and devised the Surplus of his Personal Estate to the Plaintiff, who brought this Bill, and suggested, that the Testator did not owe any Money to *Steel*; but the 100 l. meant by that Devise, was 100 l. he owed by Bond to *Grace Beck*, then married to the Defendant; and that the

Parol Evidence admitted to ascertain the Person, the Testator intended should take a Legacy.

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Testator knew her to be married; but forgetting her Husband's Name, call'd him *Steel* instead of *Hitch*, and this being proved by the Person, who drew the Will, and another, the Payment was decreed accordingly.

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Term. S. Trinitatis,

1704.

IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 191.

*Le Clea versus Trot.*

A Surety in a *Ne exeat Regnum* could not be discharged after Answer put in by the Defendant, nor even after Decree against the Defendant, and Commitment for 19000 *l.* decreed against him, for if (as urged) there is no Danger of Defendant's going beyond Sea (being in Prison) then the Surety is in no Danger.

**A** *Ne exeat Regnum*, having been awarded against the Defendant, J. S. (who was the now Petitioner) became his Surety to the Sheriff; after Answer put in, J. S. petitions to be discharged, but was deny'd; then the Cause was heard, and 19000 *l.* decreed against the Defendant, and he committed for Non-Payment; and then J. S. petitions again to be discharged, because being a *Manu-captor*, and the Party in Prison, there can be no Danger of his going beyond Sea.

Lord Keeper. If so, then his Surety is in no Danger, and would not discharge him.

## Griffith versus Rogers.

Case 192.

**T**HE Defendant's Husband, by Will (*inter alia*) devised his Library of Books to A. (except 10 Books, such as his Wife should choose, as Plays, Romances, Sermons, but not Law Books) and made her Executrix; and the Question was, Whether this was such a Devise to the Wife as would exclude her from the Benefit of the Personal Estate, as Executrix.

A Husband devises his Library of Books to A. except 10 Books, such as his Wife should chuse, and made her Executrix, this Exception of the

10 Books held not such a devise to the Wife, as should exclude her from the Surplus.

*Per curiam* not, and my Lord Keeper said, 'tis no devise of the 10 Books to her, but only an Exception of 10 out of the Devise to A. and the Executrix was the proper Person to choose which should be excepted, and it could not be thought he intended to bar his Wife of the the Benefit of the Executorship by so inconsiderable a Devise.



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## Termino S. Mich.

1704.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 193.

*Lassells* versus Lord *Cornwallis*.

A. on his Marriage creates a Term in Trust to raise 6000*l.* of which 3000*l.* was for his younger Children, and the other 3000*l.* as he should appoint; after, he appoints the 3000*l.* as a Collateral Security to *J. S.* and by Will devises it and the other 3000*l.* to his

**T**HE Defendant's Father on his Marriage Settlement, created a Term for 500 Years, in Trust, to raise any Sum not exceeding 6000 *l.* viz. any Sum not exceeding 3000 *l.* for younger Children, and any farther Sum not exceeding 3000 *l.* for such Purposes as he should think fit; and after, appoints the last Sum to be Collateral Security to Sir *Stephen Fox*, for his quiet Enjoyment of an Estate he had sold him, on which there was some Doubt of the Title; and after, by Will, appoints the 3000 *l.* subject to Sir *Stephen's* Collateral Security, and also the other 3000 *l.* for his Daughter, by the Dutches of *Monmouth*.

3000*l.* to his Daughter, yet held that it should be Assets to satisfy a Bond Creditor.

The Plaintiff, a Bond Creditor, brings his Bill to have his Debt out of the 3000 *l.* subject to Sir *Stephen's* Indemnity, that being a voluntary Gift, as to the Daughter, and not to prevail against him; and that the Will was a Devise, not a farther Appointment, for there was a compleat Appointment before, tho' not a Disposition of the whole 3000 *l.*

My Lord Keeper decreed the 3000*l.* subject to Sir Stephen Fox's Indemnity to be liable to the Creditors, because he had a resulting Equity in it, which he might devise, but not to take Place of Creditors, and he had before made an Appointment, which satisfy'd his Power.

*Barstow versus Palmes & al.*

Case 194

**T**WAS held by my Lord Keeper, that where on a Bill brought by A. against B. C. and D. and others, the Defendants had examined some Witnesses, that B. being now Plaintiff, may read those Depositions against the Plaintiff, or any of the Defendants in the first Cause.

*Kent versus Bridgman.*

Case 195.

**A.** Recovers a Judgment against the Defendant's Father, and the Plaintiff (the Sheriff's Bailiff) levied 24*l.* of Goods in the Possession of the Defendant's Father, the Defendant brought Trover against the Plaintiff, pretending the Goods were his, because the Landlord had seised them for Rent, and sold them to him; but on Evidence, the Sale was proved Fraudulent, and that the Father was in Possession all along, and paid Taxes for the Farm and Goods, &c. and therefore the Judge gave Directions to the Jury to find for the Defendant at Law; but because he had not proved a Copy of the Judgment, as it was held he ought, for that only Reason the Jury found against him, and now he brought this Bill for Relief, and a Demurrer to it on arguing was over-ruled; then by Answer he insisted on his Property under the Bill of Sale, and Recovery at Law, where the Matter is properly triable and relied on that, without examining any Witnesses; but the Plaintiff fully proved his Case as before, and that the Judge altered his Directions only for Want of Proof of the Judgment, and disproved the

A Matter examinable and already determined at Law, yet Equity may give Relief in it.

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Defendant's Answer in some Particulars, and a perpetual Injunction was granted against the Judgment, and the Defendant to pay Costs; for tho' it were examinable at Law, so it was in Equity too, and the Plaintiff having set out the whole Matter, and proved it to be true, if it were untrue, the Defendant might have disproved it.

Case 196.

*Callow versus Mince.*

A Witness incompetent being interested, may on a Release given him, whereby he becomes disinterested, be examined again: So a Witness at the hearing rejected to be read, because interested; yet on a Release given was examined again on the Account, and allowed good on Exceptions to a Master's Report.

**T**HE Plaintiff examined a Witness before the Hearing, who was then interested, and therefore refused to be read; at the Hearing the Cause, the Plaintiff was decreed to account, and then he gave a Release to the Witness, and examined her over again to the same Matter without Order of the Court; and on Exception to the Master's Report, and offering to read the said Witness, the Defendant objected, that having been examined when she was not indifferent, she could never be made an indifferent Witness, because Oath would always be a Chain and Byals upon her; besides, no Witness ought to be twice examined to the same Matter, without special Order of the Court, to which it was answer'd, then the Defendant ought to have moved to suppress the Deposition for want of an Order to examine her, but could not object it, when the Deposition came to be read; and as to the first Part of the Objection, it was said, at Law, if I examine a Witness at a Trial, who is incompetent, and after give him a Release, he may be examined again; so here.

My Lord Keeper was of Opinion for the Plaintiff, in both, and so the Witness was read and prevailed.

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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1704.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Clavering versus Clavering.*

**A** Father in 1684, makes a voluntary Settlement on his eldest Son, and his Heirs, without any Power of Revocation; after he makes another Settlement of the same Lands to his second Son, for Life, with Remainder to his first and other Sons, in Tail Male, and dies. The first Deed after his Death came to the Hands of his eldest Son's Heir; and the other Deed to the Hands of the second Son, who brought a Bill to set aside the first.

Case 197.

A Father in 1684 makes a voluntary Settlement on his eldest Son and his Heirs, without any Power of Revocation, and after made another Settlement of the same Lands to his second Son

for Life, with Remainder to his first, and other Sons in Tail Male, and dies. The first Deed comes to the Heir of the eldest Son, and the other to the second Son, who brought a Bill to set aside the first; but *per Cur.* both Deeds being voluntary, the Provision for a younger Son is no such Consideration, as to induce the Court to set aside the first Deed.

My Lord *Keeper* cited *Lady Hudson's Case*, where a Father on a Quarrel with his eldest Son, made a Settlement on his Wife of 100 l. *per Ann.* in Augmentation of her Jointure, and after being reconciled to his Son, cancelled the said Deed, and so 'twas found at his Death; and on a Trial at Law the Deed being proved to have been executed, was adjudged good, tho' cancelled, and the Son on a Bill brought here, was dismissed by my Lord *Somers.*

*Dobyns*



*Dobyns* said, this Court goes on Presumptions in Family Settlements ; and if one gives a Daughter 1000 *l.* Legacy, and after on Marriage gives her 1000 *l.* Portion, this shall here be a Satisfaction of the Legacy ; so if one owes his Child a Sum of Money, and by Will gives him a greater, this shall be here taken for Satisfaction.

### *Atkinson versus Webb.*

Case 198.

2 Vern. 478.

S. C.

*A.* gives Bond to *B.* of 300 *l.* conditioned to pay 20 *l.* *per Ann.* for Life quarterly, without any Deduction, the like Annuity of 20 *l.* *per Ann.* afterwards given by *A.* by Will to *B.* payable half-yearly, and without such Deduction, held no Satisfaction.

**T**HE Plaintiff having served the Lady *Pratt* 25 Years, as Chamber-Maid and Woman, and being much in her Favour, and married to the Plaintiff by her Encouragement; the said Lady gives her a Bond of 300 *l.* conditioned to pay her and her Husband 20 *l.* *per Ann.* during their Lives, and the Life of the longer Liver of them, payable Quarterly, at Sir *Francis Child's* Shop, free from all Deductions ; and this was constantly paid.

About five Years after, the said Lady by Will devises several Annuities to several Persons, in Satisfaction of the like Annuities secured to them by Bond, and gives 20 *l.* *per Ann.* to the Plaintiff, to be paid half-yearly at the said Lady's Mansion House, chargeable on such Lands; but takes no Notice of the 20 *l.* *per Ann.* secured to her by Bond.

On the Circumstances of this Case, the Court decreed her both, for that given by the Will was not so Advantageous to the Plaintiff as the other, one being to be paid quarterly, the other half-yearly ; the one here, the other on the Land ; one free from all Deductions, the other being out of Land will be liable to Taxes ; and a Devise implies a Bounty, and those that were intended in Satisfaction of the like Annuities are so declared in the Will, which this is not.

*Acton versus Acton.*

Case 199.

**T**HE Plaintiff's Husband before Marriage gives her a Bond to leave her 1000 l. if she survived him, and the same Day marries her, and some Years after dies Intestate, leaving a Freehold and Copyhold Estate all in Mortgage.

A Man before Marriage gives Bond to the Woman to leave her 1000 l. if she Survives him, and then marries her,

and dies Intestate, and his Estate both Free and Copyhold, being all in Mortgage, she takes out Administration, and on Bill against the Heir and Mortgagee was let into a Redemption of the whole, tho' the Bond was released and gone at Law by the Intermarriage, and tho' the Copyhold not affected by the Bond, it being in Nature of a Marriage Agreement.

The Plaintiff takes out Administration, but the Personal Estate not being near sufficient to satisfy the said Bond, she brings her Bill against the Heir and Mortgagee to redeem, and be let in to have Satisfaction of the said Bond.

The Defendant the Heir urged, that by the Marriage the Bond became void in Law, and could not be maintained here, especially against him, who is chargeable only in such Case, by being specially named; and tho' it would be supported as a Marriage Agreement in Writing, yet could only charge the Personal Estate; and that, however, it cannot affect the Copyhold.

On the other Side, 'twas said, this was once a good Bond, and the Heirs are bound in it; and tho' by the Marriage it lost its Force in Point of Law, yet in Equity it will have the same Force as before, and bind the Husband, and entitle the Plaintiff to a Redemption; as if the Obligee loses his Bond, yet Equity will set it up, and give him the same Advantage of it, as if it were in Being; and if Equity does support it, it must support it, not only as an Agreement in Writing, but as a Bond; and therefore the Plaintiff ought to have the Redemption as a Bond Creditor would have had; and tho', 'twas agreed, 'twould not entitle her to redeem the Copyhold, if mortgaged by itself; yet when that and the Freehold are



mortgaged together, she must redeem the whole, and cannot redeem by Parcels; and tho' the Heir on Payment of what is due on the Mortgage will have back the Copyhold from us, yet we shall hold the Freehold till satisfied the Bond.

Lord Keeper said, if the Bond were executed (which being doubtful, was ordered to be tried) the Court would support it as a Bond, and that the Freehold and Copyhold being mortgaged together, the Plaintiff should redeem both.

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## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Lord Rockingham and Arabella Oxendon* Case 200.  
versus *Sir James Oxendon.*

**B**Y Articles on the Marriage of the Plaintiff, the Lady *Oxendon*, with the Defendant, 6000 l. part of her Fortune was to be laid out in Lands, and settled to him for Life, then to her for Life, &c. and was left in the Bank till the Purchase could be made subject to the said Trust.

By Articles of Marriage 6000 l. of the Wife's Portion, was to be laid out in a Purchase of Lands to be settled on the Husband for Life.

then on the Wife for Life, and to lye in the Bank till the Purchase made; before that made, the Wife by the Usage of her Husband, being forced to leave him, had the Interest of this Money allowed her in Nature of Alimony.

The Lady being after, by his cruel and unhandsome Usage, forced to leave him, brought her Bill to have a Performance of the Articles, and a separate Maintenance whilst she lived from him, which was opposed, and said, that Alimony was only to be sued for in the Spiritual Court, and to decree it here, would be to decree a Divorce.

On the other Side, 'twas said, that the Spiritual Court has no original and proper Jurisdiction of Alimony, but only incidentally, and consequentially when they hold  
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Plea of Divorce, whereof they have proper Jurisdiction; and if it had, yet the Chancery has a concurrent Jurisdiction, as with the Admiralty and other Courts in Cases peculiar to their Jurisdiction, and to decree Alimony, here is not to decree a Separation; for if he thinks she left him without just Cause, he may sue in the Spiritual Court for Restitution of Conjugal Duties; and if he prevails, the separate Maintenance will cease.

My Lord Keeper and Master of the Rolls said, they would not declare where this Court would give separate Maintenance, and where not, but here being Trust Money, over which the Court has a Power, they decreed the 6000 l. to be laid out with the Lady's Consent in a Purchase, and settled pursuant to the Articles, and the Interest in the mean Time to be paid her so long as she lived separate.

Case 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Brown versus Dawson.

**H**ENRY Dawson had prevailed on his Wife to join in selling 7 l. 10 s. *per Ann.* of her Jointure, and after 6 l. 10 s. *per Ann.* more, and having given two several Notes, that his Executors should pay her the said two several Sums during Life; he after makes his Will, and thereby gives her 14 l. *per Ann.* during Life, out of certain Lands, and this was held *per Curiam* to be in Satisfaction of the Notes.

A Wife Parts with 14 l. *per Ann.* of her Jointure, and the Husband gives her a Note that his Executors should pay her that Sum during Life, and he after by Will gives her 14 l. *per Ann.* out of

certain Lands for Life, held a Satisfaction of the Note.

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Lord *Dudley*, and *Ward* an Infant, by the Case 202  
Honourable *Thomas Newport* versus  
the Lady Dowager *Dudley*, &c. & econt'.

THE Case is this, *Edward* Lord *Dudley* and *Ward* A Dowress shall have the Trust of a satisfied Term removed against the Heir at Law.  
the Plaintiff's Great Grandfather, being seised in Fee of the Honour, Manor, Castle, and Borough of *Dudley* in *Com. Stafford*, and of an Estate in *Stafford*, and *Worcester* of a great yearly Value; by Lease and Release, dated 21st and 22d of *March* 1700, did, in Consideration of natural Love and Affection towards his Grandchild *Edward Ward*, Esquire (the Plaintiff's Father) Son and Heir of *William Ward*, eldest Son of the said Lord *Dudley*; *Frances Ward* and *William Ward*, Son and Daughter of *Ferdinando Dudley Ward*, second Son of the said Lord *Dudley Ward*; *Frances Porter* and *Catharine Porter*, Grandchildren to his Brother *William Ward*, Party to the Deed, and for raising Portions for them, and for settling his Lands in his Name and Blood; convey to *William Ward*, Senior, and *William Dilkes* Defendants, to the Use, &c. the said Lord *Edward*, the Great Grandfather for Life, and then to the Defendants *William Ward* and *Dilkes* for 99 Years, then to the said Lord *Dudley* the Great Grandfather and his Heirs Male of his Body, and for Default, &c. to *William Ward* and *Dilkes* for 100 Years; Remainder to the said *William Ward*, Senior, in Tail, Remainder to the right Heirs of the said *Edward* the Grandfather.

The Term for 99 Years was thereby declared to be in Trust, that *William Ward* and *Dilkes* should out of the Rents, Issues and Profits, &c. levy, raise, and pay 2000 *l.* for the Portion of *Frances*, payable at 18, and 50 *l.* yearly Maintenance, till the Portion paid; to raise, levy, and pay 300 *l.* a-piece to *Catharine* and *Frances Porter*, and Annuities of 120 *l.* a-piece to the Defendants *Ferdinando* and *William Ward*, junior, for their several



Lives ; and 300 *l. per Ann.* to the Plaintiff's late Father, *Edward Lord Dudley*, for his Support and Maintenance, payable half-yearly, till the Expiration or Determination of the said Term. These Annuities to arise and begin to be paid after the Death of the said *Lord Dudley* ; and that the Trustees should have all the Charges and Costs they should be at, paid them out of the Trust Estate.

Then follows this Clause. And may, shall, and will permit the Person and Persons, who from Time to Time shall have Right to the Freehold of the Premises, by Virtue of, or under any Use herein before limited or declared from Time to Time, to have, receive, and take to his and their own Use and Benefit, the Residue of the Rents and Profits which shall remain over and above, or after the Performance of the said Trusts, &c.

Then follows a Proviso, That if the Person or Persons that shall have Right to the Freehold, &c. shall pay or deposite the 2000 *l.* or so much as shall be unlevied, &c. and shall, to the good liking of the Trustees, secure the Payment of the said several Annuities and Payments, then the Term to cease, determine, and be void.

The Master  
of the Rolls  
Argument  
and Resolu-  
tion.

I need not mention the Trust of the Term for 100 Years, for the Augmentation of *Frances's* Portion, being out of the Case, that being to arise upon Failure of Issue Male of the said *Lord Dudley* the Great Grandfather, nor the Power of Revocation to the said *Lord Edward Dudley*, for there was not any Revocation.

The *Lord Edward Dudley* the Grandfather made his Will, 28th of *June* 1701, and devised the Guardianship of the Plaintiff's Father, to the Defendant *William Ward*, senior, his Brother, and the Guardianship of *William Ward*, junior, and *Frances Ward*, the Defendants, to him and the Defendant *Hodgett* ; and thereby gave several small Legacies, and gave all the Residue of his Personal Estate to the Plaintiff's Father (*Lord Edward Dudley*) and made him and *Mr. Hodgett* Executors ; but *Mr. Hodgett* was to reap no Benefit thereof, and died 30th of  
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August 1701, that the Defendants *William Ward* and *Dilkes* enter'd on all the Trust Lands.

The Plaintiff's Father afterwards married the Lady *Diana*, the Plaintiff in the Cross Bill, and died 20th of March 1704, under Age, and left the Lady *ensent* with the Plaintiff, who is Son and Heir to his Father, and Heir at Law to his Grandfather, and as such is intitled to the Surplus of the Rents of the Trust Estate in Mr. *Ward* and Mr. *Dilkes*, and the Benefit of the Term for 99 Years.

The Lady *Diana*, after the Death of her Husband brought her Writ of Dower, to which the Term for 99 Years was pleaded in Bar; but she had Judgment in Dower with a *Cessat Executio* during the Term.

*Edward Lord Dudley* and *Ward* the Plaintiff's Father, made the Lord *Sommers* and the Lady *Diana Howard* Executors, until the Lady *Diana* attains her full Age, in Trust for her; the Lady *Diana Howard* has proved the Will, and also taken Administration *de bonis non* to *Edward Lord Dudley*, the Great Grandfather, with the Will annexed.

The great Question contended between the Mother and the Son (for the other Demands on both Sides, will, I presume, easily be determined) is, whether the Lady Dowager, the Plaintiff in the Cross Bill, shall have the Benefit of the Trust of the Term, as to a third Part of the Profits above the Charge of the Annuities, during their respective Continuance, and after the Determination, a third Part of the whole Profits as her Dower.

And as this Case is, I am of Opinion she ought; before I proceed, I must declare, that I intend not, in the least to enervate the Decree of Dismission in the Lady *Bodmyn* and *Vandebendies's* Case, which stands confirmed in the House of Lords; but to distinguish this present Case out of the Reason and Judgment of the Decree, but agree that it ought to stand for ever in this Court.

I observe this Term is expressly attending, and waiting on the Freehold and Inheritance, nay, waiting, during the



the very Charge, and the Charge of the Annuities, as to the Surplus of the Profits.

My reasoning shall be drawn from the Original Institution of this Court of Equity and Conscience, and also from the Rules and Common Law Principles of that which is Regular Law, which is bound to Rules, to which Equity in general may be said to be opposite. For all Kingdoms in their Constitution, says my Lord *Hobbard*, are with the Power of Justice, both according to the Rule of Law and Equity. These are the Grounds which I shall go upon, and not upon any Notions or Arbitrary Rules of my own.

My first Reason is, that the Right a Dowress has to her Dower, is not only a legal Right so adjudged at Law, but is also a moral Right to be provided for, and to have a Maintenance and Sustenance out of her Husband's Estate to live upon; she is therefore in the Care of the Law, and a Favourite of the Law; and upon this moral Law, is the Law of *England* founded, as to the Right of Dower.

Now Equity is no Part of the Law, but a moral Virtue, which qualifies, moderates, and reforms the Rigour, Hardness, and Edge of the Law, and is an universal Truth; it does also assist the Law where it is defective and weak in the Constitution (which is the Life of the Law) and defends the Law from crafty Evasions, Delusions, and new Subtilties, invented and contrived to evade and delude the Common Law, whereby such as have undoubted Right are made remediless; and this is the Office of Equity to support and protect the Common Law from Shifts and crafty Contrivances against the Justice of the Law. Equity therefore does not destroy the Law, nor create it, but assist it.

Now, what is it that hinders the Lady from her Right, she has obtained Judgment in Dower at Law, the Law has given it to her. Ay! but there is a Rule of the Law enter'd, call'd a *Cessat Executio*, the Effect and Power of which stops her Execution, and the Benefit of the

Judgment that she has obtained : For how long? During the Term of 99 Years: A hard Injunction; but upon what Ground or Reason? Why, because the Common Law says, her Title is the Marriage, Seisin, actual Possession, and Death of her Husband; and there never was a Time, if her Lord died, that she should have had immediate Dower; because this Term was a legal Interest before the Marriage, continuing at the Time of the Death of her Husband, and pleadable in Barr by the Heir to her Demand of Dower, and this is the Common Law.

But notwithstanding this, I conceive she is relievable; and that this strict rigorous Rule of the Law ought to be moderated by Equity and Conscience for these Reasons; and the Precedents hereafter cited.

1<sup>st</sup>, From the Nature, End, and Design of creating this Term, by the Settlement it appears to be created by *Edward Lord Dudley*, for making Provisions out of the Profits for his Son and Grandchildren; which Nature obliges him to take Care of; and after that Office and Trust performed, the two Trustees are to permit and suffer the Person and Persons, who from Time to Time shall have a Right of the Freehold of the Premises, to receive the Residue of the Profits that shall remain after the Performance of the Trusts:

That Person was the Dowress's Husband, who had an undeniable Right to the Surplus of the Profits, and had an Estate Tail in him, and the Dowress under him has a good Equity to have her Dower; because the Trust of the Term was expressly to attend the Person that should have the Freehold, and her Husband had the Freehold, and she has the Freehold; and the Words of the Declaration of the Trust are thereby literally satisfied; tho' I am of Opinion, that if the Words had been in general to attend the Inheritance, it would have been the same Thing, and she has a Right to this Trust within the Description.

It is no strange Notion at Law, that long Terms for Years should attend and wait on an Inheritance, in which



Case they are to be governed and directed by the Intention of the Parties that created them, and who, when they have put an End to them, then they have done their Office, Duty and Trust, and have born the Burthen; I mean have raised these Portions, which was the original Cause of their Creation; and therefore in Equity and Conscience ought then to cease, and return back to the Channel from whence they were extracted; and it is a Reason in Law, that *Cessante causa cessat effectus*, and there is no original Consideration to give them a longer Being, and such a Term ought not to be made Use of to any other Purpose, especially to deprive a Dowress of her Dower.

For the Nature of these waiting Terms, I must compare them to Covenants, Conditions, Reservations, and Warranties, which my Lord *Hobard* in the Earl of *Clanrickard's* Case says, do all wait and join to the Grants, whereof he there gives several Instances, and says, that a Reservation of a Rent which is but a Shadow, must be guided by the Body, which is the Estate, why should not in like Manner this Trust, which is expressly directed to wait upon and join the Freehold, which was in the Husband, and also in the Dowress, be guided and directed by the Body, which is the Freehold and Estate, and as in Case of a Reservation of the Rent, which follows the Freehold, and is in Recompence of the Land.

2<sup>dly</sup>, This Trust is an Interest annexed to the Estate immediately, as to the Surplus over and above the Charge, and is attending and ancillary to the Freehold and Inheritance, and this Trust is a Right in Conscience to take the Surplus of the Profits, during the Continuance of the Charge and the Annuities, and the whole Profits after the Charge raised and satisfied, and does most certainly ensue the Nature of the Land, for what are the Profits, but the Lands, or what is the Land, but the Profits; and the Lord was ever in Possession of the Land by his Guardian and Trustee, and was perfect Owner.

There can be no Question, but this Term does attend the Inheritance and Freehold; but then the Question is, To what Purpose does it attend? I conceive that it does attend to the same Purposes as an Advowson appendant does to a Manor; a Commonage appendant to a Messuage and Land; a Villain regardant to a Manor, any Thing that is an Accessary, and that follows the Nature and Condition of the Principal: Nay, it is as the Logicians term it, *Adjunctum Subjetti*, an Adjunct or Quality adjoined, or rather re-annexed to its Subject in the Person of the Owner of the Freehold; but in some Cases it seems to be merged or confounded in Equity; for it is Assets subject to a Debtor; and is not Dower a Debt; and out of the Land too?

And therefore my Lord *Hale* in *Sir John Saunders's Case*, *Mich. 20. Car. 2.* is of Opinion, that such a waiting Term does not prevent Dower, or ought to stave off a Debt; for such a Term shall be Assets, says he, if it attend an Inheritance in Fee Simple; but not if it attend an Estate Tail, which is not subject to Debts in Equity; but here the Lord has an Estate Tail, to which Dower is incident, and therefore shall attend the Dower.

And in *Sir George Saunders's Case*, it was adjudged, that a waiting Term in Trust follows the Estate, as the Shadow does the Body, and is of the same Nature and Quality, and it is there compared to a Box of Writings which follows the Land.

The Dowress here ought to be regarded as a Purchaser, considering her Portion, her Quality, a Match no Way unequal, a Marriage treated, no ill Method or Practice used, looked upon by good and learned Council to be dowable, the young Couple being young, under Age, and unwilling to stay till Age to make a Settlement, and above all, no Debts or Portions on the Estate, but two or three Annuities.

Again, she ought to be preferred to the Heir her Son;  
1<sup>st</sup>, Because her Right (tho' it may be said Concurrent) is Prior in Time to the Heir it began by the Intermarriage.

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2dly, That the Heir loses (if I may call it so) but one Third to his Mother for her Dower, and retains two Thirds to himself, which is not unreasonable.

3dly, The Courts of Law, tho' she has Judgment, cannot assist her against this Term; because, being a Trust, they have no Cognizance of it, and is a Creature of this Court, and only determinable here; and without the Assistance and Relief of this Court the Judgment for Dower is enervated and eluded by the *Cessat Executio*, for by the Judgment she has Dower; and by the *Cessat* she is prevented, during the Term of 99 Years, and it is most probable, that she will not outlive the 99 Years, without which she cannot have Benefit of her Judgment, and all the Remedy at Law is vain and illusory, and no Remedy any where but here; and yet her Right is fixed and unfixed by the Judgment at Law, and Right without a Remedy is nothing; and therefore I hold the Common Law to be Defective in this Case as to the Execution, and ought to be assisted by Equity.

But to conclude this Point, as between the Dowress and the Heir, this very Case is admitted in the very Argument of the Lady Bodmyn and Vandenbergdy, for (says the printed Case, *Parliament Cases* 71) it perhaps would be prevalent against an Heir, but not against a Purchaser; and so I conclude it to be beyond a Perhap.

It is objected here (as in that last Case) that the Demand of Dower is a Right not arising by the Agreement of the Parties (which if defective or imperfect, might be supplied by Equity) but by Operation of Law: Now I presume the Difference is meant between a defective Jointure and Dower; but I conceive that it is a Distinction without a Difference in Words only, not in Sense, and a Marriage is as much a Contract (and I am sure more Sacred) and ought to be as much regarded and relieved as a defective Jointure, which is the Agreement of the Parties, the Distinction is commonly expressed in *Latin*, Dower is *ex provisione Legis*, a Jointure, *ex provisione Hominis*; but each of them is but a Provision for the  
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Wife, and that the Law makes ought to be regarded, and supported by Equity preferable to the other; they are both grounded upon Contracts, as my Lord Chancellor *Jefferies* says, in the Report of Lady *Radnor's* Case, and he could not imagine a Reason why a Jointress should be relieved against such a waiting Term, and not a Dowress; it is there also agreed, that if a Lease be made precedent to a Marriage in Trust to pay Debts, the Heir paying the Debts shall be relieved against the Lease, and set it aside, why not the Dowress? I think so too.

I shall now give an Answer to the Judgment in my Lady *Bodmyn's* and *Vandenbendy's* Case, which is cited to over-rule this Case in Point.

I conceive, that Case purely to have been decreed in Favour of a Purchaser, and the Strength of it to be grounded on the general Inconveniencies that would attend all Purchasers *bona fide*, without Notice, which was the Point my Lord *Jefferies* and *Sommers* went upon, and for which Occasion was cited the Case of *Basset* versus *Nosworthy*, 26 Car. 2. in Lord *Nottingham's* Time, which was thus, *Nosworthy* pleaded himself a Purchaser for valuable Consideration without Notice, which Plea being proved, came to be heard upon the Merits, and the Lord Chancellor declared, That a Purchaser, *bona fide*, and without Notice of any Defect in his Title at the Time of his Purchase, may lawfully buy in any Statute Mortgage, or any other Incumbrance; and if he can defend himself by those at Law, his Adversary shall have no help in Equity to set those Incumbrances aside, for Equity will not disarm a Purchaser; and Precedents of this Kind are very ancient and numerous, where the Court has refused to give any Assistance against the Purchaser, either to the Heir, or to the Widow, the Fatherless or to the Creditors, or to one Purchaser against another, and this Rule in Chancery is in Vindication of the Common Law, where the Maxims which refer to Descents, Discontinuances, Non-Claims, and Collateral Warranties

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are only the wise Arts and Inventions of the Law to protect and quiet the Possession, and strengthen the Right of Purchasers, &c.

I have cited these Reasons at large, because it strengthens the Judgment in *Vandenbendy's Case*, and let all such Purchasers be supported and protected; but surely the Precedents in this Case will not support the Heir in our Case, against another that Demands her Dower.

As to the Precedents, I shall mention some that weigh with me, besides the natural Justice of the Case.

The first I shall make Use of is *Fletcher and Robinson's Case*, 6 May 1653. *Henry Robinson* on good Consideration promised to assure the Manor of *Buckton* to his eldest Son in Fee, but falling into some Trouble for Counterfeiting a Warrant, he convey'd *Buckton* to his younger Son, in Trust, only to secure it against a Forfeiture; the Father being freed from Trouble, convey'd *Buckton* to his eldest Son, and dies; the eldest Son dies and leaves a Widow, having no Issue, and the younger Brother his Heir; on Dower brought by her, the Conveyance to the younger Brother was given in Evidence, whereupon she was Nonsuited; but upon a Bill brought by her here, the Case appearing, *ut supra*, she had a Decree, and a Commission directed to set out the Thirds; and tho' this was much contested, yet Equity and Justice prevailed; and tho' the Time in which this was adjudged may be objected, yet were they learned Men who deliberated well and pronounced their Decrees and Judgments according to their Oaths, and according to Justice and Equity.

Serjeant *Vaughan's Case* is, in Point, and *Snell and Clay's Case*, which was heard 6 W. and M.

The Common Law is, That if a Rent be reserved on a Lease for Years, made precedent to Marriage, the Wife shall recover Dower of the third Part of the Rent immediately, and also of the Land, with a *Cessat executio durant. Termino.*

Why then should not the Declaration of the Surplus of the Profits to the next Person to whom the Freehold shall come, be looked upon in Construction, to be a Reservation of Rent, as it is in Effect and in Intention, and so to be construed in Equity to assist a Right of Dower; for a Rent is certainly part of the Profit of the Land, and is paid therewith, why should not this supply a Reservation in Equity?

I think I have Law and Equity on my Side, and likewise the Precedents which, according to my Lord *Hobart*, 270 are built upon Reason and Justice, and *tantum habent de lege, quantum habent de Justitia*; I must therefore decree the Lady Dowager the Benefit of this Trust Term, and that the Trustees *Mr. Ward* and *Mr. Dilkes* do account to her for the third Part of the clear Profits above the Charge of any yearly Annuities, from the Death of her Husband, and from Time to Time for the future, during the Term, and the Term to stand charged therewith during her Life, the Trustees to be allowed their Costs and Charges according to the Deed, and to be indemnified, and Costs to be paid to the Plaintiff, the Lady, and all the Defendants out of the Trust Estate.

*Franklyn versus Earl of Burlington.*

**R**ICHARD Earl of Burlington, in 1697, devises thus. *Item*, My Will and Pleasure is, that the Furniture and Pictures in my Houses at *A. B.* and *C.* shall always remain there, and not in the Power of my Executors to dispose of, but shall go with my said Houses to such of my Grandchildren as shall be in the Possession thereof: And then appoints, that the Plate Gilt with Gold belonging to his Chapel at, &c. together with the Ornaments thereof, should remain to the perpetual Use of the said Chapel, and makes *D.* Executor, to whom he gives all his Personal Estate, except what is before bequeathed, of what Nature or Kind soever.

Case 203.

2 Vern. 341  
S. C.

A Devise of the Furniture and Pictures at the Houses *A. B.* and *C.* passes not Plate, which the Testator constantly used, and removed with him when he went from one House to another.

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The Question was, Whether the Plate the Testator constantly used and removed with him, when he went from one House to another, should go to the Executor by the last Clause, or belong to the Houses under the Word *Furniture*.

My Lord *Keeper* was of Opinion, that the Word *Furniture* in a large Sense takes in Plate, but not here, because he distinguishes the Chapel Plate from the *Furniture*, and the Plate of ordinary Use that was carried with him, would no more be said the *Furniture* of one than of the others, and he meant only the particular *Furniture* of each House, so the Plate went to his Executors, and liable to the Plaintiffs, who were Creditors.

Case. 204.

*Tilly versus Bridges.*

MY Lord *Keeper* was of Opinion in this Case, that when one has Title to the Possession of Lands, and makes an Entry, whereby he becomes intitled to recover Damages at Law, for the Time the Possession was detained from him after such Entry; he shall not turn that Action at Law into a Suit of Equity, and bring a Bill for an Account of the Profits, except in Case of an Infant, or some other very particular Circumstances.

Case 205.  
2 Vern. 520.  
S. C.*Best versus Stampford.*

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survives, in Trust for her, her Executors and Administrators: The Husband dies without Issue; the Wife marries a second Husband, and dies; the Husband takes out Administration to her, yet decreed that the Term should attend the Inheritance.

then in Trust for her, her Executors and Administrators, during the rest of the Term.

The Husband dies without Children, and the Wife survives, and takes another Husband, who survives, and takes out Administration to her.

The Question was, If the said Term should go to him, or attend the Inheritance, and go to the Heir.

Lord Keeper. This is only an unskilful Declaration, and not the Intent of the Party, and the particular Purpose being served, it must attend the Inheritance, for so I think it was at her second Marriage, and that could not be altered by her Death; for *Equitas sequitur Legem*, and cited *Pollhill* and *Pollhill*, and if the Term and Inheritance had been in the same Hands, 'twould have merged, so here it shall be attendant in Equity.

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## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 206.

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Where on a Bill to call a Trustee to Account, he by Answer submits readily to it, tho' found in Debt, shall pay Interest for the Balance only, from the Time of the Account liquidated, and no Costs; *scilicet*, if he controverts the Account there, if found in Arrear, shall pay Interest and Costs.

### *Parrot versus Treby.*

**O**N a Bill brought to call a Trustee to an Account, it was held by my Lord *Keeper*, that if he by Answer submits readily to it, tho' on the Account he be found in Debt, yet he shall pay Interest for the Ballance only from the Time of the Account liquidated, and no Costs, if he has not misbehaved himself; but whereas in this Case, he said, in his Answer, he believed the Plaintiff considerably indebted to him; and after the Matter had depended 20 Years, is found 200 *l.* in the Plaintiff's Debt, he shall pay Interest from the Time of the Bill; for he admits by such Answer, that he has not kept any Money for the Plaintiff, uselefs, or unemploy'd, and in a Manner dares the Plaintiff to the Account, and therefore must pay Costs, as the Plaintiff must have done, if he had been found indebted to him.

*Gore versus Knight.*

Case 207.

**W**HERE a Woman before Marriage, by Consent of the Man makes over her Estate, Real and Personal, to be at her own disposal, all the Product or Increase of it, or that which comes in lieu of it, shall be also at her disposal.

A Feme Covert, who makes Profit of a Real or Personal Estate, settled to her separate Use, may dispose of such Profit as she pleases.

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In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Powell versus Bell*

Case 208.

**T**HE Defendant had married an Administratrix to her former Husband, to a Share of whose Personal Estate the Plaintiff was intitled, the Administratrix was likewise intitled to a Third; and before her second Marriage had wasted great Part of the Estate, and then died.

An Executrix or Administratrix wastes the Personal Estate, and then marries and dies, the Husband shall be chargeable in Equity to

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Debt, so far as any Fortune of his Wife's come to his Hands will extend, unless he had made a Settlement on her Adequate to that Fortune, without Notice of the Debts or Devastavits.



This Bill was brought against her Husband to have an Account of the Estate, and a Satisfaction for his Share, and being heard at the *Rolls*, an Account was decreed to be taken of what of the Estate had come to the Hands of the Administratrix before her second Marriage; and also what had come to her or her Husband's Hands since the Marriage, and the Plaintiff to have Satisfaction against the Defendant absolutely, for so far as came to his or his Wife's Hands after Marriage, and for what came to her Hands before her second Marriage, to have a Satisfaction against the Defendant, so far as he had any Estate of his Wife's, and this was affirmed on Appeal to my Lord Keeper.

Mr. *Vernon* said, it has been several Times held, that where a Man marries a Woman, without stipulating for any particular Fortune, or making any Settlement; if after the Death of the Wife, Debts of hers appear, the Husband (not being a Purchaser in such Case) shall be answerable for the Debts of the Wife in Equity, so far as he had any Money or other Personal Estate of hers.

Case 209.

### *Astry* versus *Astry*.

If a Man gives his Wife Power to divide his Estate amongst his three Children, she must do it equally.

**I**N this Case was cited the Case of Sir *George Crook's* Daughter, who had left a Power to his Wife to devise her Estate among his three Daughters in such Proportions as she should think fit; yet it was held in this Court, that she must divide it amongst them equally, unless a good Reason can be given for doing otherwise.

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# Term. S. Trinitatis,

## 1706.

### IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

#### Orby versus Lord Mobun.

Case 210.

2 Vern. 531.

**F**itton Gerrard, Tenant for Life, with Power to make Leases for 21 Years, or three Lives; so as upon every Lease of such Lands as have been usually letten, and Fines taken for them, the old accustomed Rent or more be yearly reserved, and so as upon every Lease of other Lands not usually letten, nor Fines taken for them, there be reserved the best improved Rent that can be gotten for the same, and the Lessees to execute Counter-Parts thereof.

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Tenant for Life, with a Power to make Leases of all Land anciently demised, reserving the ancient Rents, and of the other Lands reserving the best improved Rents, makes a General

Lease of all the Lands reserving Rent in the very Words of the Power. Lease adjudged void by the Lord Keeper, and Chief Justice Trevor, against the Opinion of *Holt* Chief Justice.

*Fitton Gerrard* by Indenture 21 December 1702, demises to the Defendants all such Lands as have been usually letten, and Fines taken for them for 99 Years, if three Persons should so long live, with a Reservation in these Words, *yielding and paying therefore, the respective old and accustomed yearly Rents*, and if this Reservation was pursuant to the Power, was the Question.

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My Lord *Chancellor* being assisted with the two Chief Justices, *Holt* and *Trevor*, decreed, that this Lease was not good to bind the Remainder-Man.

But my Lord Chief Justice *Holt* differed in Opinion, and held this Lease good.

1<sup>st</sup>. Because the Reservation being in the very Words of the Power; if the Power was good, the Reservation must be so too, for the same Words must have the same Meaning in both; and if a Sum certain had been reserved, yet it must have been averred to have been the ancient and accustomable Rent, or more; and therefore this Reservation in the Words of the Power may be helped by such an Averment, and consequently is good.

2<sup>dly</sup>, That if any of the Lands comprised in this Lease, had not been anciently lett, tho' the Reservation in such Manner as to them would be void, yet the Lease would remain good as to the others.

3<sup>dly</sup>, Though all the Lands were comprised in this one Deed of Lease, yet the Remainder-Man, who is to have all the Deeds in his Custody, might easily distinguish them, as well as if they had been lett by several Leases as they were formerly.

But my Lords *Chancellor* and *Trevor*, held this Lease void against the Remainder Man, and not pursuant to the Power.

1<sup>st</sup>, Because it was intended, That the Words of the Power should be turned *Verbatim* into a Reservation in Leases; and to say, that if the Words in the Power are good, they cannot be bad in the Reservation, suppose in the Power to make Leases, it was provided, that in every such Lease there should be inserted such Covenants as are usual in Leases in that County, and a Lease were made in the very Words of the Power: Would this be good? Certainly not, nor would it be aided by any special Verdict, finding the Covenants usual in that County.

2<sup>dly</sup>, The Question in this Case is not between the Lessor and Lessee (between whom, perhaps, the Lease might be good, and the Rent recoverable) but the Que-

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tion is, as to the Remainder-Man, whose Remainder and Inheritance is to be charged by a Power, which is to be taken strictly, and is not pursued, for the Intent thereof was, that a certain Rent might be reserved upon every Lease to be made, that so he in Remainder might know how to come at it, and from his Action for the Recovery thereof, which as this Reservation is, he cannot do, but will be involved in perpetual Controversy and Uncertainty, for he must not only aver and avow, that the Sum he distrains for, is the ancient Rent, but must also prove it; for if the Tenant can show another more ancient Rent, then he may *Nonfuit* the Remainder-Man, and so *toties quoties*, he distrains or avows for any Rent, the Tenant, by showing that another Rent has been reserved, may baffle him, and keep the Land in spight of his Teeth, without any Rent at all, till he is so lucky as to hit upon the true Sum reserved upon every several Lease, which will be very difficult for him in the Remainder to do, and is no ways agreeable to the Meaning of the Power; but if a certain Sum had been reserved, and the Counter-part shown under the Tenant's Hand, he must either show a more ancient Rent, or it will be presumed for the Plaintiff; and if he should show one more ancient, the Consequence of that will be the avoiding of his own Lease, which to imagine he should attempt is absurd, and without defeating of the Lease he can never avoid Payment of the Rent, when it is reserved in Certainty; but as 'tis reserved here, 'tis wholly uncertain, and my Lord Chancellor said, it was the first attempt that ever was made to delegate the Power generally, that was to have been executed particularly, and was a new Invention, tending to introduce Perjury, Forgery, and Frauds, and therefore not to be countenanced.



Case 211.

*Grice versus Goodwin.*

What shall  
be said, an  
Error appear-  
in the Body  
of the Decree.

**J**OHAN GRICE by Will devises his Real Estate to his Wife, for Life, and after to *Thomas* his Son for 99 Years, if he should so long live, charged with the Payment of 500 l. a-piece to *John* and *Thomas*, the two eldest Sons of his Son *Thomas*, at their Ages of 21 Years, and dies.

Afterwards *John* the Grandson dies in 1694, an Infant, and Intestate, after in 1698 *Thomas* the Father dies, without taking Administration to *John* his Son; and a Bill was brought to have an Account and Distribution of the Personal Estate of *John Grice* the Grandfather, *Thomas* the Father, and *John* the Son.

On hearing the Cause, the Court had decreed the 500 l. Legacy devised to *John* the Grandson, to be distributed amongst his Mother, Brother, and Sisters equally; and a Bill of Review being brought to reverse this Decree,

A Legacy given a Child by a Stranger, at the Child's Death vests in the Father by the Statute of Distributions, altho' he took not out Administration to such Child.

The first Error assigned was, that on the Death of *John* the Grandson in the Life of *Thomas* his Father, his 500 l. Legacy vested in his Father by the Statute of Distributions, tho' he took not Administration to him, and therefore ought not to have been distributed, as the Personal Estate of *John* the Grandson, but as the Personal Estate of *Thomas* the Father, and then the Mother would be intitled to a third of it, and 'twas admitted it ought to have been so.

But 'twas insisted, this Error did not appear in the Body of the Decree as drawn up; for tho' 'twas laid in the Bill, that the Grandson died in 1694, and the Father in 1698, and that 'tis confessed in the Answer they died about the Times in the Bill; yet the Defendants being Infants, their Admission is not sufficient unless proved, and it shall be supposed it was not proved, because

because if it had, the Court could not have made such a Decree, and the Proofs now cannot be referred to.

On the other Side, 'twas said, taking the Fact to be as appears on the Face of the Decree, as drawn up and inrolled, 'tis a plain Error, and it must be so taken now, and the Question is not at present, Whether an Infant's Admission be good or not.

The Court held it an Error appearing in the Body of the Decree, so the Decree was opened.

### Lord Bath versus Sherwin.

Case 212.

A Bill was brought for a perpetual Injunction, to stay the Defendant from bringing any more Ejectments, to try his Title at Law, suggesting, that the Plaintiff had five Verdicts, and that it was an unreasonable Vexation, &c. therefore to put his Title in perpetual Peace, was the End of the Bill.

Chancery wont grant a perpetual Injunction, tho' the Party has had five Verdicts in Ejectments at Law, unless

there be some Ingredient in the Cause, which gives the Court Jurisdiction, as Trust, Fraud, Accident, &c.

The Lord Keeper, after this had been fully debated, took Time to consider of it, and now delivered his Opinion, viz. That to give the Court an Original Jurisdiction, there ought to be a Fraud, or a Trust, or some Accident fall out in the Case, to prevent some great Inconvenience, as between a Lord of a Manor and the Tenants thereof, to settle the several Rights; if in Case the Right between the Lord and the several Tenants was to be settled in separate Actions, the difficulty upon the Lord would be insuperable, by Reason of the Multiplicity of Suits at Law, the like in settling Boundaries, &c. Therefore this Court will interpose and direct an Issue to be tried, and the Conscience of the Court thereby informed and satisfied; this Court will then put the whole in Peace by a perpetual Injunction.

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But this Case, he said, was in its Nature new, and did not fall under the general Notion of a Bill of Peace; this being only between *A.* and *B.* and one Man is able to contend against another; and if the Courts of Law on new Demises, will not suffer the former Verdicts to be pleaded, he could not help it, he said, he was satisfied of the Vexatiousness of the Defendant in this Case; but if it was a Grievance, it was in the Law, which was proper for another Jurisdiction, *viz.* the Parliament to reform, and that it would be Arrogance in him by Decrees or Injunctions to take upon him the Reformation of the Law.

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## Termino S. Mich.

1706.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Hoskins versus Hoskins.*

Case 213.

**S**IR *John Hoskins* by Will, amongst other Things, devises to his younger Son *Henry Hoskins* 750 l. and afterwards buys him a *Cornet of Horse's Employment*, and paid 650 l. for it, and it was proved to be intended this 650 l. should be discounted out of the Legacy, and that he would strike so much out of his Will, as soon as the Accounts came from *London* to him, but died before they came, without altering his Will.

*A.* by Will gives 750 l. to his Son, and afterwards buys him a *Cornet of Horse's Employment* for 650 l. which Sum (was proved) he intended to strike out of his Will:

Held that the 650 l. should go in Diminution of the 750 l.

*Per Curiam*, This Money paid for the said Commission shall go in Diminution of the Legacy, and be taken in Payment and Satisfaction of so much.

Another Point was, Sir *John* by his said Will devised the Use of his Household Goods to his Wife, during her Widowhood, and made her Executrix during her Widowhood; and if she should die or marry, he appointed his Son and Heir to be his Executor; he also devised some Curiosities and Rarities to remain, as *Heirs Looms* in his Family; and the Question was, If the Widow, who had this Legacy of the Use of the Household Goods during her Widowhood, should have the undisposed



disposed Surplus of the Personal Estate, or if it should be distributed according to the Statute of Distributions.

My Lord Keeper was of Opinion, as this Case is, she shall have the Surplus, for she has but a limited Executorship; and tho' this Court has distributed the Surplus where the Executor has a Legacy on a supposed Intention of the Testator, that he intended him no more; yet here it cannot be intended so, as to exclude the Heir when his Executorship shall take Place; for as to the *Heir Looms* that appears to be given to another Intent, and not to exclude him from the Surplus, neither shall the Wife in this Case be excluded.

Case 214.

*Murray versus Wise & al.*

*A. devises  
50 l. to his  
Heir at Law,  
and gives his  
Wife all the  
Rest, and Re-  
sidue of his  
Real and Personal Estate,*

*A.* By Will devises 50 l. to the Defendant, his Daughter and Heir, and gives all the Rest and Residue of his Real and Personal Estate whatsoever to his Wife, and makes her sole Executrix.

*these Words pass a Fee to the Wife.*

'Twas argued, That these Words do not pass a Fee, being joined with the Words Personal Estate, for which were cited, *Cro Car. Wilkinson versus Merryland*, 3 Mod. 164, and *Heylin versus Heylin* 228, and 4 Mod. 89, and the Earl of *Bridgwater* and Duke of *Bolton*.

But after some Time taken to consider of it, my Lord Keeper decreed, that this Devise carried the Fee.

Case 215.

*Bowdler versus Smith.*

ONE devises in these Words, *as to my Temporal Estate wherewith God hath blessed me, I give and dispose thereof, as followeth; First, I will that all my Debts be justly paid, which I shall at my Death owe or stand indebted in to any Person or Persons whatsoever, also I devise all my Estate in G. to A.B.* and this was all the Real Estate the Testator had, and per Lord Keeper, this Will creates a Charge on the Real Estate for Payment of Debts.

## Noys versus Mordant.

Case 216.

**A.** Being in Possession of an Estate that was a Mortgage in Fee, by Will devises it to his Daughters **B.** and **C.** and their Heirs; and dies; **B.** marries and dies, the Question was, Whether the Share of **B.** should be decreed Real or Personal Estate, and consequently go to her Heir, or to her Husband, as her Administrator.

*A. Mortgagee in Fee in Possession devises it to his two Daughters, and their Heirs; one of the Daughters marries, and dies, held that her Share should not go to her Husband as Personal Estate, but should descend to the Heir of the Wife.*

My Lord *Keeper* decreed it against the Husband, and put this Case, a Man seised of Lands in Fee, which were only mortgaged to him, devises them to his Son and Heir, and his Heirs; surely these Lands shall descend as an Inheritance; or tho' the Mortgage be paid off, shan't the Money be considered as Lands, and go to the Heir, and his Heirs, as the Lands would have done, and this purely by the Intention of the Testator? And did not the Testator, who had a governing Power, intend in the present Case, that the mortgaged Lands should be considered, as any other Lands of Inheritance, and be subject to, and directed by the same Rules that other Estates are?

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## Termino S. Mich.

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## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 217.

*Woodman versus Skute.*

*A. being taken by the Husband going to bed to his Wife, gives him Securities for Payment of 500 l. A Bill to be relieved against the Securities, alledging, that it was a Plot to catch him, and that he was compelled by threats to enter into them. Bill dismissed.*

**T**HE Defendant coming home from *Blakenly Fair*, finds the Plaintiff naked, and just going to Bed to his Wife; he thereupon gets a Note from him of 500 l. which was in *June*, afterwards in *August* following the Plaintiff gives him a Judgment, and in *October* following surrenders Copyhold Lands to him by way of farther Security.

The Plaintiff brought this Bill to have the several Securities delivered up, alledging, a Contrivance to catch him in that Manner, and that he was drunk, and did not know what he did; and that the Defendant with an Ax threatned to cut him in Pieces, so that he was under Terror; and that the Defendant himself had said in Company, that the Securities were for Money lent.

My Lord Chancellor observed, that there was no Proof at all of a Plot to catch the Plaintiff in this Manner, nor that he appeared to be so disordered or frightened; for he continued in the same Mind when he was in cool Blood, at the several Times of giving the three different

ferent Securities; and it was proved, that he joined with the Defendant in giving out, that that Note was given for a Bargain of Grass, so that he knew what he was about, and had a Mind to conceal it.

If a Jury in this Case had given Damages, this Court could not relieve, and why should it? When the Plaintiff himself has three Times given and ascertained the Damages against himself, it shows he thought the Damages but reasonable; so dismiss'd the Bill, but without Costs; because the Defendant has bragged of his Bargain, which was a Sign he thought himself over-paid, but my Lord Chancellor said, he would relieve against the Penalties.

*Anonymous.*

Case 218.

**A**N Uncle gives his Niece by Will 1200 *l.* the Niece marries, but antecedent to the Marriage the Father takes a Bond from the then intended Husband, to pay him 200 *l.* in Case the Daughter should happen to die without Issue Male, in the Life Time of her Husband, the Daughter did die without Issue Male, living her Husband; whereupon the Father sued the Husband at Law upon this Bond, and the Husband brought his Bill here to be relieved against this Bond, and had a Decree accordingly; for it appearing that no Money was paid, nor Consideration for entring into it, the Court took it to be in Nature of a Marriage Brokage Bond, and therefore ordered it to be delivered up.

*Carter versus Bletsoe.*

Case 219.

**M**atthew Bletsoe by his Will devises his Lands to his eldest Son *S. Bletsoe*, and his Heirs; but his Will and Mind is nevertheless, that the said *S. Bletsoe* should pay out of the Land so devised to him, the Sum of 600 *l.*

*A. devises to his two younger Sons and a Daughter out of Lands, Portions of 600*l.* viz. a-piece, payable at 21,*

with Maintenance; the Daughter marries, and dies under Age, having two Children; held that this was not such an Interest vested in her, as should go to her Husband as Administrator.



viz. to his Daughter *Mary* the Sum of 200 *l.* at her Age of 21 Years; and to his Son *John* 200 *l.* at his Age of 21 Years; and to his Son *Matthew* the Sum of 200 *l.* at his Age of 21 Years; and if it should please God to take out of this Life his Son *S. Bletsoe*, before he attained the Age of 21 Years, then his Will was, That his Son *John* should not have the 200 *l.* settled on him, but that it should be paid to *Mary* and *Matthew*, to be added to their Portions, and he to have all the Estate given to *S. Bletsoe*, paying the 600 *l.* as before expressed, and that his said Children shall be allowed 4 *l.* per Ann. Maintenance for every 100 *l.* until their several Portions were paid.

*S. Bletsoe* died before his Age of 21 Years, the Plaintiff married *Mary*, and has two Children by her, *Mary* died two Months before her Age of 21 Years, and the Question was, Whether this was not a subsisting Charge upon the Land and Interest so vested in *Mary*, as to intitle the Plaintiff as her Administrator to the Legacies, tho' she died under 21 Years.

It was urged for the Plaintiff, that these were Portions, and so called by the Express Words of the Will, and by the Civil Law a Portion is always construed to be for Preferment in Marriage, which may happen long before the Age of 21 Years, as this Case was; and as to the 100 *l.* that fell to her on *S. Bletsoe's* Death, and no Time was limited for the Payment of that, therefore the Plaintiff ought to have a Decree, *quoad*, that at least.

It was likewise urged, that 4 *l.* per Cent. being allotted till they came of Age, made it an Interest vested, and the Testator must intend this Devise, as a *Debitum in Presenti*, tho' *Solvend. in Futuro*, because Interest imports a Debt.

But my Lord Chancellor dismiss'd the Bill as to both Demands, because there was no Words in this Will which vested any Interest in those Legacies before the Age of 21 Years; and as to the other 100 *l.* that was governed by the other Legacies.

*Hedges versus Hedges.*

Case 220.

**S**IR William Hedges being a Freeman of the City of London, and having Children by two Venters, and being desirous to make a Difference between them in Point of Fortune, by his Will gives two of them a Specifick Legacy of a Bond of 3000 *l*.

A Freeman of London being desirous to make a Difference between his Children in Point of Fortune, devised

to two of them a Bond of 3000 *l*. Afterwards by Advice of his Lawyer (whom he consulted about the best Method of securing of it to them) the Clause in the Will was obliterated, and the Will republished, and the Bond was altered, and new Security given in the Name of J.B. in Trust for these two Children; yet held, that this 3000 *l*. must be brought into *Hotchpot*, if they would intitle themselves to any farther Share of the Personal Estate.

Afterwards being in doubt, Whether it might not be best secured to them by some Act in his Life Time; he sent for his Lawyer to consult with him, and his Lawyer advised him to do it by Act executed in his Life Time; whereupon the Clause or Sentence in the Will which gave the 3000 *l*. was obliterated, and the Bond was altered, and a new Security given in the Name of Sir James Bateman, in Trust for those Children, and the Will republished; and soon after, Sir William Hedges died; and if these Children should have an equal Share of one Third of this Estate with the other Children, and also retain to themselves 3000 *l*. was the Question.

It was urged to be the plainest Intent of Sir William imaginable, that they should, and it would be contrary to Equity, that the Mistakes of the Lawyer should frustrate so manifest an Intent.

That rather than this should be construed an Advancement of them in Sir William's Life, so as to make them bring it into *Hotchpot*, Equity ought to consider it as a Devise *causâ Mortis*, and that it should go out of the Freeman's Legatory Part.

But *per Curiam*, this cannot be construed a Devise, or *donatio causâ Mortis*; for that is, where a Man lies in Extremity, or being surpris'd with Sickness, and not having an Opportunity of making his Will; but lest he should die before he could make it, he gives with his

*Donatio causâ Mortis*, what it is.



own Hands his Goods to his Friends about him ; this, if he dies, shall operate as a Legacy ; but if he recovers, then does the Property thereof revert to him ; but in this Case the Testator Sir *William* acted deliberately, and made his Election, that they should take by a Gift in his Life Time, and for that Purpose altered the Securities, and republished his Will.

My Lord *Chancellor* farther said, That he believed the Intent of Sir *William* was, as has been suggested ; but if Men will deliberately lay down Premisses, and from thence draw false Conclusions, this Court has no Jurisdiction to set right such Mistakes ; and tho' Sir *William* thought, that notwithstanding this Advancement, they would come in for an equal Share with the rest of the Children ; yet 'tis plain, that both he and the Lawyer mistook the Law and Custom of *London*, and shall this Court interpolate when there is no Fraud or equitable Circumstances in the Case ; and therefore decreed the 3000 *l.* to be brought into the *Hotchpot*, if they would intitle themselves to any farther Share.

Case 221. Attorney General, at the Relation of the Master and Fellows of *Sidney College* in *Cambridge*, versus *Bains* and *Mary* his Wife, Heir of Dr. *Johnson* & al.

A Will wanting Witnesses, won't Operate as an Appointment to a Charity, by the 43 *Elix.*

**D**R. *Johnson* seised of several Freehold and Copyhold Lands, and possessed likewise of divers Leasehold Lands, surrenders the Copyhold to the Use of his Will, and after makes his Will in Writing, whereby he devises all his Estate, viz. Freehold, Copyhold, and Leasehold to Trustees, their Heirs and Executors in Trust, for the Maintaining and Providing for several poor Scholars of *Sidney College* in *Cambridge*, and for divers other Charities in his Will particularly expressed and directed, and this Will was all written with his own Hand, but had no Witnesses to it.

Afterwards he makes a Codicil, wherein he recites and takes Notice of the Will, and this Codicil was subscribed by four Witnesses, and duly executed, and soon after dies.

And now this Bill was brought to have the Trustees take upon them the Trusts, and to have a Specifick Performance thereof.

It was urged, in support of the Charities, that as to the Copyholds, no Question could be made, but that the Will was sufficient, because they did not pass by the Will, but by the Surrender; and as to the Leasehold Lands, they being but Chattels, are Part of the Personal Estate, and not within the Statute of Frauds and Perjuries.

As to the Freehold Lands, tho' the Will be not effectual as a Will to pass them within the Statute of *Frauds and Perjuries*, for want of conforming to the Circumstances required by that Statute; yet it is good as an Appointment to a Charity within the 43 *Elix.* for which was cited 11 *Co.* the Case of *Magdalen College*, where want of Livery and Attornment shall be supplied, and also *Collison's Case* in *Hob. 2 Rol. Rep. 318*, and *Dukes on Charitable Uses* 110, where it is held, that Tenant in Tail without Fine or Recovery, may by Will or otherwise appoint to a Charity, and such Appointment in all Cases, where the Party has a disposing Power, shall be supported in Favour of a Charity, tho' other Ceremonies to other Purposes would be requisite.

It was farther urged, that the Codicil taking Notice of the Will, and being duly executed, that makes the Will good too, as if it was affixed to the Will at the Time of the Execution thereof; for the Law annexes and construes it as Part of the Will, and the laying of it in another Place signifies nothing.

On the other Side it was insisted, that the Will not being executed according to the Statute of *Frauds and Perjuries* cannot be good to pass the Freehold Lands, and the taking Notice of the Will in the Codicil cannot mend it, for that, for ought appears, might be executed  
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in another Room, and the Witnesses to that see or know nothing of the Will.

That Devises or Dispositions to a Charity were not in all Cases supported, that Infants, Feme Coverts, and Lunatics are as much disabled in this, as in all other Cases, that the Reason why Tenant in Tail may without Fine or Recovery devise to a Charity, is because the 43 *Eliz.* being subsequent in Time, has repealed the Statute *de Donis*, and by an artificial Distinction between a Devise and an Appointment; but the 29 *Car. 2.* is subsequent to the 43 *Eliz.* and extends as well to a Charity as any Thing else.

Lord Chancellor. I shall be very loth to break in upon the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries* in this Case, as there are no Instances where Men are so easily imposed upon, as at the Time of their dying, under the Pretence of Charity, for the Statute requires that the Will shall be so and so circumstanced, otherwise it is void to all Intents and Purposes.

It is true, the Charity of Judges have carried several Cases on the 43 *Eliz.* great Lengths, and this occasioned the Distinction between operating by Will and Appointment, which surely the Makers of that Statute never thought of.

Afterwards it was decreed, that the Will not being good, as a Will, could not operate as an Appointment.

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# Termino S. Hillarii,

1708.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

### *Terry versus Terry and Ragget.*

Case 222.

**T**HE Plaintiff's Wife *Eliz.* was the only Child of *William Goodier*, who made his Will, and the Defendant's Executors and Overseers thereof, for the Benefit of the Plaintiff *Eliz.* then and still an Infant, and empowered them thereby to act and do as they should think would be most for her Advantage, and died possessed of a Personal Estate to the Amount of 3000 *l.* and upwards, which the Executors possessed themselves of, having first proved the Will.

An Executor or Overseer, who has Power by the Will to Act in every Thing for the Advantage of an Infant, may lay out part of the Personal Estate in the Purchase of Lands in the Infant's own Pocket.

Name; but if he lends the Money on a bad Security, he must Answer it out of his

Some Time after, the Executors hearing some Copyhold Land was to be sold, which lay contiguous and near to other Lands of the Plaintiffs, and which had formerly been sold for 210 *l.* purchased the same in the Infant's Name for 200 *l.* and took a Conveyance accordingly.

Another 100 *l.* they lent out upon Bond to one, who at the Time of the lending was a considerable Trader, and esteemed a Man of Substance, having an Estate of 60 *l.* per Ann. besides his Trade, and several Witnesses swore they would at that Time lend him 500 *l.* upon his

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own Note only ; but it happened, that he after failed, and the Money became desperate.

The Plaintiffs not liking the Copyhold Purchase, brought this Bill to have an Account of all the Testator's Personal Estate, and that the Defendants might be decreed to pay the same to the Plaintiffs, and not throw upon them the Loss of the Money, and oblige them to take the Copyhold Land against their liking.

It was insisted upon to be the Practice of this Court, that Executors had no Power to invest Money in Lands, unless the Will had given them such Authority ; because the Succession of Land was to go one Way, and the Succession of Money or Personal Estate another ; and here, by this Purchase, the Husband would be defeated of so much of his Wife's Portion, over which he would have had Power, had not this Purchase been made, and therefore it ought not to stand.

The Defendants insisted upon the Power the Will gave them to Act for the Plaintiff's Advantage, and that this Purchase was such ; and as to the 100 *l.* relied on the Proof they made of the Person's Abilities at the Time they lent it.

As to the 100 *l.* my Lord *Chancellor* decreed them to pay it, and make the best they could of the Bond themselves, either by a Commission of Bankruptcy, or otherwise, as they should be advised, and said, he did this for Example to discourage Men from taking single Persons Bonds ; and that considering the Contingencies and Hazards of Trade. A Man's Bond for 100 *l.* that is to lie any Time, is not Security for above 50 *l.* and so he would take this, notwithstanding his Abilities at the Time of lending it ; but as to the Copyhold Purchase, it appearing by the Proofs to be for the Plaintiff's Benefit, he decreed that to stand, and said, that Purchases made in Infants Names, might be good enough, and here she is still an Infant, and therefore the Time of her Agreement or Disagreement is not yet come ; besides, being married, she has no Will of her own, and her Husband  
has

has already shown his Consent to this Purchase, by cutting down Timber off the Land.

Then it was pray'd, that she might have Liberty by the Decree to dissent to this Purchase when she came of Age, and to claim the Money, but that my Lord disallowed likewise, and said, as the Tree falls so let it lie, and pronounced his Decree accordingly.

### *Kirk versus Clark & al.*

Case 223.

27 January.

**T**HIS was a Bill brought by a Trustee to compel the Specifick Performance of Marriage Articles, and the *Cestui que Trust* was not made a Party, and therefore it was pray'd, that the Cause might not go on after opening the Bill and Answer, because if the Bill should be dismiss'd, the *Cestui que Trust* would not at all be bound by it, and so the Defendants liable to another Suit for the same Cause.

A *Cestui que Trust* must in all Cases be a Party, but the Trustee needs not, especially if *Cestui que Trust* undertakes for him.

It was said, that tho' sometimes Bills brought by a *Cestui que Trust* had been allowed, without making the Trustee a Party; yet that was upon the *Cestui que Trust*'s undertaking for the Trustee, that he should conform to what Decree should be made, which might be reasonable, he having no Interest at all in his own Right; but a Trustee could not so undertake for his *Cestui que Trust*.

The Court ordered the Plaintiff to pay this Day's Costs, and to make the *Cestui que Trust* a Party, and the former Bill, Answer, and Depositions to stand, and the next Day the *Cestui que Trust*, who was a Feme Covert, was made Plaintiff by her Brother, and *Prochein Amy* against the Defendants, one of whom was her Husband, and the Course of the Court agreed to be, that a Feme Covert may sue her Husband by *Prochein Amy*, they would not make her Defendant, because 'twould have taken Time to have put in her Answer.

The Case appeared to be, that Sir Nicholas Clark was Tenant for Life of Copyhold Lands, with the Remainder

A. Surrenders the Reversion in Fee of Copyhold

TO Lands to his

Son, to lessen the Fine he must have paid, in Case it had come to him by Descent, after the Son's Treaty of Marriage; the Father tells the Wife's Friends, that this Copyhold was so settled, in Consideration of which, and of some Leasehold Lands, a Marriage was had, and 1000 l. Portion paid, this Surrender of the Copyhold held not to be voluntary or Fraudulent.



to his Wife for Life, the Reversion to himself in Fee, and makes a Surrender of the Reversion to his eldest Son in Tail, the Remainder to his own right Heirs, which Surrender was made to his Son, with intent only to lessen the Fine he would have paid, in Case the Reversion had come to him by Descent from his Father, he having it by this Surrender as a Purchase; afterwards upon a Treaty of Marriage between the Son and a young Lady, who was to have 2000*l.* Portion, her Friends upon Discourse of a Settlement, understanding the Father had a Leasehold Estate besides the Copyhold, proposed to have both settled; but told him, they relied chiefly upon the Copyhold, that being the only Equivalent for the Fortune, upon which Sir *Nicholas* told them he had settled that already on his Son, by a Surrender; and thereupon an Agreement was made for settling the Leasehold Estate upon the young Lady, and the Issue of that Marriage, and reduced into Writing, and recited the intended Marriage and Portion, and that in Consideration thereof those Leases were agreed to be settled in such Manner as therein mentioned; and after, a Settlement was made accordingly; some Time after, Sir *Nicholas's* Lady dying, and he being in Treaty for another Marriage, entered into Articles for making a Settlement upon her; and amongst other Things, covenanted to settle the Copyhold Lands on her for a Jointure, &c. to such and such Uses; and now this Bill was brought by her and her Trustees (the Marriage being had accordingly) to compel a Specifick Performance of those Articles.

For the Plaintiff it was insisted, that the Settlement on the Son was purely voluntary, before any Treaty of Marriage, and therefore fraudulent and void against Purchasers for valuable Consideration, without Notice, as the Plaintiff was; that if such, (as a Settlement made in such a secret Manner as this was) should prevail against the Plaintiff, the Intent of the Statute 27 *Eliz.* would be entirely defeated; and that this differed from a voluntary Settlement on a Wife or younger Children, for whom

whom the Father was bound to provide; but here it was upon the eldest Son, who would have had it without such Settlement by Course of Descent, and therefore there could be the less Suspicion or Notice of the Father's want of Power to settle it on his second Marriage; it was likewise insisted, that the Agreement on the Son's Marriage, being reduced into Writing, the Parties had set up their Rest there, and ought to be bound by it, and that it would be of dangerous Consequence after such Agreement in Writing, to admit of any loose Discourses had before, to make any Part of the Agreement, for when it was reduced into Writing, the Minds of the Parties must be supposed to be fully searched, and all that they intended to be contained therein; and seeing that Agreement mentions only the settling the Leasehold Estate to be the Provision intended, no extravagant Parol Declarations of the Father's having already settled the Copyhold Estate on him, ought to be admitted, nor any Proof to enforce the same; and then that Agreement in Writing standing singly on the Leasehold Estate, the Copyhold Estate which was long before settled, and at a Time when there was no Prospect of the Son's marrying, ought to be looked on as Voluntary, as against the Plaintiff, and the rather, because the Intent of it appears to be only a Contrivance to ease the Son of the great Fine he must have paid, in Case it had come to him in Course of Descent, and for no other Reason since he was not to have it till after his Father's Death, he keeping the Estate for Life still in himself.

On the other Side, 'twas said, that this ought not to be looked upon as a voluntary and fraudulent Settlement, as to the Plaintiff, because it was the Chief Inducement that prevailed on the Friends of the Son's Wife to consent to the Marriage, and to give her such a Fortune; and that if they had not been assured the Copyhold was already settled on the Son, they would have insisted on a Settlement thereof, or not have given her such a Portion, and to make void this Settlement now would be to

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give the Father Leave first to marry his Son to that Estate, and then again, after to marry himself to it, and so to make the same Estate a Snare and Trap to deceive either his own or his Son's Wife, and the Surrender to the Son being upon Record, the Plaintiffs might have had Recourse thereto, and satisfied themselves, and there was no Occasion upon the Son's Marriage, *actum agere*, to surrender the Copyhold to him, when he had it already.

My Lord *Chancellor* decreed the Surrender to the Son good; and tho' it were at first voluntary, yet upon his Treaty of Marriage, it being regarded as the principal Inducement thereto, it now became valuable, and ought to be considered, as if it had been but then surrendered to the Son; and it was not necessary to insert it in the Articles, it being an Estate of another Nature, and to pass in another Manner, and being already settled, it was sufficient in the Articles to provide for the Settlement of what they farther intended to secure on that Marriage, without taking Notice of what was already settled to their Satisfaction; and so the Copyhold passed by the Surrender, as a proper Conveyance for that Kind of Inheritance, and the Leasehold by the Settlement as a proper Means for carrying over that, and both together made the Settlement insisted and agreed upon to be made, and were in Consideration of Marriage, and a Marriage Portion which surely is a valuable Consideration, and ought not to be set aside as fraudulent in a Court of Equity, and so dismiss'd the Bill with Costs.

Case 224.

### *Powell versus Powell.*

A Decree  
against Te-  
nant in Tail,  
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stands out all

**I**N this Case was cited a Case where Tenant in Tail contracted for Sale of his Lands, and received part of the Consideration Money; and upon his not making good

Process of Contempt for not obeying it, yet his Issue not bound by it.

IN CURIA CANCELLARIA

Months after her Husband's Death. Immediately upon  
 the death of a son, whereof she was delivered about three  
 and about 2 years 1704 died, leaving the Lady Heiress  
 he intermarried with the Defendant the Lady Heiress  
 or her daughter, and soon after his Wife died; and then  
 the Estate in Question, being of the yearly Value of 5000 L  
 some Time after the Marriage, Peter Wainwright purchased  
 these two Daughters, both Defendants, and both under 21  
 years, with whom he had 7000 L Portion, and by her had  
 upon his Return Home intermarried with one Mrs. St.  
 Years, acquired a very considerable Personal Estate; and  
 a Turkey Merchant, and being absent in Turkey several  
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~~Plaintiff might be set in to try the Title as a Law, from~~  
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 HE Plaintiff's Bill was to set out of the Wainwright's



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## Termino Paschæ,

1709.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 225.

*Whitcombe versus Whitcombe.*

Where the  
Entry of the  
Mother as  
Guardian in  
Socage to  
her Infant  
Son, shall  
gain a Posses-  
sion *Fratri.*

**T**HE Plaintiff's Bill was to set out of the Way several Terms for Years kept on Foot by the Defendants, the Trusts whereof were satisfied, and to be admitted to redeem other Terms for Years on Payment of what should appear to be due thereon, that so the Plaintiff might be let in to try his Title at Law, in an Ejectment, as Heir to one *Whitcombe*, an Infant deceased.

Upon opening the Bill and Answer, the Case appeared to be this, *Peter Whitcombe*, Father of the Defendants, was a *Turkey* Merchant, and being abroad in *Turkey* several Years, acquired a very considerable Personal Estate; and upon his Return Home intermarried with one *Mrs. Sherard*, with whom he had 5000 *l.* Portion, and by her had Issue two Daughters, both Defendants, and both under Age; some Time after the Marriage, *Peter Whitcombe* purchased the Estate in Question, being of the yearly Value of 600 *l.* or thereabouts, and soon after his Wife died; and then he intermarried with the Defendant the Lady *Hoskins*, and about *Septemb. 1704* died, leaving the Lady *Hoskins* *enseint* of a Son, whereof she was delivered about three Months after her Husband's Death. Immediately upon her

her Husband's Death, the Lady *Hoskins* entred upon his whole Estate, and received the Profits thereof, and held Courts in the Name of the two Daughters, as Heirs at Law, and cut down about 1000 l. worth of Timber for Maintenance of herself and her Children; afterwards the Son was born, and lived about nine Months, and then died; thereupon the Plaintiff, as Heir at Law of the whole Blood to the Infant, who was last seised of the Freehold and Inheritance of the Premises, brought his Ejectment to recover the Possession thereof, and made out his Title thus, viz. Son and Heir of *John Whitcombe*, who was Son and Heir of *Peter Whitcombe*, who was Grandfather of *Peter Whitcombe* the Merchant, Father of the Infant Son; upon the Trial, the Defendant set up several Terms for Years, whereupon the Plaintiff was Nonfuit.

He now brought this Bill to be relieved against those Terms, and have those whereon nothing was due to be set aside, and be admitted to redeem others, whereon any Thing should appear to be due, that so he might try his Title at Law to the Lands in Question.

The Defendants the Infants, by their Guardian answered, and admitted, that their Father was seised of such Estate, and had such Issue, and hoped the Court would take Care of their Interest.

The Lady *Hoskins* admitted likewise such Seisin of her Husband, and said, that after his Death she entered and held Courts in the Name of the Infants the Daughters, and cut down such Timber, and she and the other Defendants insisted, they ought not be compelled to give the Plaintiff any Assistance to make out his Title.

For the Plaintiff it was insisted, that when the Father died, and his Wife entred generally, such Entry ought not to be construed a Tort, when it will admit of another Construction, as it will in this Case, and that is, as having a Right and good Title as Guardian in Soccage to her Infant Son; and then her Seisin was a Seisin for him,

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and would intitle the Plaintiff as fully, as if the Infant himself had been in actual Possession, and though she might indeed, after such general Entry, so far declare her Intention, as to make her a Disseisees *ab initio*, as if she had afterwards levied a Fine; yet without some such Act she should not be taken to be wrong Doer, when by a reasonable Construction her Entry might be intended lawful, and no Parol Declaration in *Paijs*, would serve to make her Entry wrongful; and if this were so, then nothing stood in the Plaintiff's Way to hinder his being relieved in this Court; for as to the Terms for Years they could be no Impediment, because the Possession of a Lessee for Years, is the Possession of him that has the Freehold; and then the Plaintiff as Heir at Law to the Infant Son, who by his Guardian was last actually seised of the Freehold, had good Title at Law; and this is so clear and known a Case, that they need not cite many Authorities to prove it, for *Co. Lit.* 15: where he treats of the Doctrine of *Possessio Fratris*, makes it clear beyond dispute; they attempted likewise to prove, but could not make it out, that Rents were reserved upon those Leases for Years, and paid to the Defendant the Lady *Hoskins*, as Guardian, which would have made still stronger for them, besides some Proof that the Defendants the Daughters had 6000 *l.* provided for them by their Father in his Life Time, and that he declared his Estate should go and continue in his Name and Family; and thereupon it was inferred, that they being already provided for, the Plaintiff's Application was the more reasonable, and they ought to help him to a Discovery for making good his Title at Law.

On the other Side, for the Defendants it was insisted, that they were unprovided for by their Father, and therefore were in the Nature of Creditors, and ought not to be compelled in a Court of Equity to give the Plaintiff any Assistance for making out his Title to strip them of their Inheritance, that in the Case of Children it was not unusual in this Court to relieve, even against

an Heir at Law ; and therefore if a Copyholder devised his Land to his younger Children, or that it should be sold to raise Portions for his younger Children, and made no Surrender to the Use of his Will ; yet this Court would supply it against the Heir at Law.

Also it was observed, that the Infant Son was not born till three Months after the Father's Death, and that the Mother entred immediately upon her Husband's Death, and that could not be as Guardian in Socage to the Son, for he was not then born ; and if her Entry at first was not as Guardian to her Son, which it could not possibly be, she did nothing afterwards to alter the Nature of her Possession, were it by Right or Wrong ; and as to the Daughters, she could not enter as Guardian in Socage to them, for it never was heard of, that a Step-mother could be Guardian in Socage ; besides, her Entry as to one third Part was in Right of her Dower at Common Law, and then, as to that, it was a Continuance of the Seisin of her Husband, and took away the Descent of that third Part to the Son, and such Entry for Dower was good, 'till avoided by the Heir at Law, or his Guardian.

'Twas likewise much insisted upon, that the Defendants were Children unprovided for, and therefore, in the Nature of Creditors, and Equity ought not to give him any Help, or make his Case better than it was at Common Law.

My Lord *Chancellor* said, he thought it a Case of great Compassion, and that he would give the Plaintiff no Assistance, unless the Daughters were otherwise provided for ; but because the Plaintiff alledged, that by a Deed in the Lady *Hoskins's* Custody, it appeared, that 6000 *l.* was settled on the Daughters, he said, that if that was fully proved it might alter the Case, and ordered the Deed to be produced (tho' that was likewise greatly opposed) and the Lady *Hoskins* having such a Deed wherein such Provision was made, afterwards the Matter was compromised.

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Case 226.

*Anonymous.*

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fants Trustees  
are to convey  
the Estates  
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suant to the  
Act of Par-  
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**A** Petition upon the late Act of Parliament was read, for enabling Infants of the Age of 12 Years, or upwards, on whom any Trust-Estate, or Mortgage is devolved, to convey to the *Cestui que Trust*, or Mortgagor on Payment of the Money to the Executors, the Petition set out the Conveyances in Trust to three Persons, and that such a one being the Survivor, was dead, and the Estate in Law devolved upon an Infant, who was in Court; also the Declaration of Trust was read, and the Consent to the next Heir at Law to the Infant required, and then an Order was made for the Infant, by her Guardian, to convey over the Trust-Estate to the *Cestui que Trust*, and the Conveyance to be settled by the Master.

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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1709.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Bucknal & al', versus Roiston.*

Case 227.

ONE Brewer, Supercargoe of a Ship which was to go a Voyage to the *East-Indies*, having shipped on Board several Goods and Commodities, borrowed of the Plaintiffs 600 *l.* and gave a Bottomree Bond to pay 40 *l. per Cent.* in Case the Ship should reign (as they called it) three Years; and at the same Time made a Bill of Sale to the Plaintiff of the Goods and Commodities he had on Board (which was invoiced particularly) and of the Produce and Advantage that should be made thereof; and this was in the Nature of a Security, or Pledge for the Repayment of the 600 *l.* and the 40 *l. per Cent. Premium*, upon the Ship's reigning three Years as aforesaid.

Where a Person who has a Bill of Sale of Goods for securing a Sum of Money lent, shall be preferred to a Judgment Creditor.

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The Ship goes her Voyage, and these Goods were sold, and with the Money others bought, and those likewise were invested in other Goods, and so there had been several Barter and Exchange of several Sorts of Goods.

The Ship after three Years returns home richly laden with several Sorts of Goods; but it happened that

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*Brewer* died upon the Sea, in his Return home, and the Defendant *Royston*, who was a Creditor of his by Judgment for 1500*l.* obtained before the Sale of those Goods, takes out Administration, and takes Possession of the several Goods and Commodities returned home, which belonged to *Brewer*.

And now the Plaintiffs brought their Bill to have an Account and Discovery of those Goods, and to have Satisfaction for the Produce and Advantage that was made thereof.

The Defendant by his Answer insisted, that he was a Judgment Creditor of a higher Nature than the Plaintiffs, who were at most entitled but to an Account, and in the Nature of Creditors by simple Contract, and therefore could not come in 'till his Judgment was satisfied.

For the Defendant 'twas urged, that *Brewer's* keeping Possession of the Goods after the Sale, made it fraudulent and void as to Creditors, who by this Means were induced to think him a Man of Substance, and to give him Credit as such, that the Difference has always been taken between such a Sale or Pledge of Goods, and a Mortgage of Lands; for tho' the Mortgagor does keep the Possession of Lands that is not fraudulent as to Purchasers, who may by inspecting the Deeds discover the Title; but as to Goods, if there be no Change of the Possession, there is no Alteration made of the Property, but such Sale is fraudulent and void.

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'Twas also said, that admitting these Goods themselves should be liable by Reason of the Sale; yet the Property of them being so often changed, the Plaintiffs could not follow them now, nor could *Brewer* make over to the Plaintiffs any Interest in these Goods, which are now come home, he having then nothing in them himself, and he could not bind by his Sale a future Right or Possibility.

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count to be taken of the Produce of those Specifick Goods, and if that could be made to appear, it was to be liable to make Satisfaction to the Plaintiffs; for which Purpose 'twas said, at the Bar, that the Goods belonging to *Brewer* were mark'd with *J. B. &c.* and other Marks to distinguish them, &c. but if not, what fell into the Bulk of *Brewer's* Personal Estate in general would be liable to go in a Course of Administration, and the Defendant to be preferred in Payment of his Judgment before the Plaintiffs.

Case 228.

*Jones versus Selby.*

Real Estate made liable to a Legacy, the Personal Estate proving deficient, and it being the Testator's Intention that it should be raised at all Events.

**T**HIS Bill was (*inter alia*) to have a Legacy of 1000 *l.* devised to the Plaintiff by the Will of *Charles Amburst* deceased, and as to that, the Case stood thus:

*Charles Amburst* being seised of an Estate in Fee to the Value of about 800 *l. per Ann.* and having two Sisters, who by their Father's Will had 1000 *l.* apiece given them, which he, tho' Executor to his Father, had not paid, he makes his Will, and thereby devises his Estate to his two Sisters for their Lives discharged of the Payment of the 2000 *l.* to themselves, but wills, that after their Deaths the said 2000 *l.* should stand a Charge upon his Estate to be paid by those in Remainder, then he devises 1000 *l.* to the Plaintiff, who was his Niece, and then devises his Estate, after the Death of his two Sisters to the Defendant *Amburst* in Tail, with several Remainders over, Remainder to his own right Heirs, provided always, that my Executrices and Executor, and Tenants in Tail, shall pay the said Sum of 1000 *l.* within six Months after my Death, and makes the two Sisters and *Amburst*, who had the first Remainder in Tail, Executors of his Will, and dies, not leaving Personal Assets to pay this 1000 *l.* and therefore this Bill was brought to Charge the Real Estate with the Payment thereof.

For the Defendants the Sisters (one whereof was married to the Defendant Sir Henry Selby) 'twas insisted, that this 1000 *l.* ought to be paid out of the Personal Estate, for it was expressly devised to be paid by his Executrices and Executor, who *eo nomine*, were intitled only to the Personal Estate, and were his Representatives only for that, but admitting that it were to be a Charge on the Real Estate, in the Case the Personal Estate proved deficient; yet it was not to be paid or charged on the Estates for Life, but only by the Tenant in Tail when he came into the Remainder, for being devised to be paid by his Executrices and Executor, those Words only charged them in respect of the Personal Estate, and when he says farther, and Tenants in Tail, those Words were to create a Charge upon the Remainder, in Case the Personal Estate proved deficient, but not to effect the Estate for Life devised to the Sisters.

But on the other Side, 'twas argued, and my Lord Chancellor was clearly of that Opinion, that this 1000 *l.* being to be paid within six Months after his Death; if by any Construction this could be performed, it ought to be so decreed, for otherwise the Plaintiff may die during the Life Estate, and so wholly lose the Benefit of this Devise, then here the Words are as clear as can be to charge all the Estates devised with the Payment of this 1000 *l.* for he expressly provides, that the 2000 *l.* shall be paid by the Remainder-Man in Tail; but when he comes to the Devise of this 1000 *l.* to the Plaintiff, he varies his Expression, and provides that it shall be paid within six Months after his Death: By whom? By his Executrices that had the Estate for Life: And by whom else? By his Executor, who was the very Person that had the first Remainder in Tail, and then adds, and Tenants in Tail, which shews plainly, that he intended not to exempt the Estate for Life; but to Charge that and all the Remainders in Proportion with this 1000 *l.* and a Decree was made accordingly, and that the Interest from the Time the 1000 *l.* became due, should be paid by the

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Tenant

Tenant for Life, Remainder in Tail, whose Estate was charged with a Sum of Money, decreed to join in levy-

ing a Fine, and suffering a Recovery, and the Tenant for Life to pay one Third Part.



Tenant for Life, and their Estate to be rated a third Part of the 1000 *l.* and he in Remainder to be liable to the other two Thirds, for which Purpose they were all three to join in suffering a Common Recovery to dock the Estates Tail and Remainders, and then to make a Security of the Estate for raising this 1000 *l.* according to the aforesaid Rate.

Case 229.

*Tournay versus Tournay.*

By Marriage Settlement, a Term is created for raising 400 *l.* apiece for younger Children to be paid them within a Year after the Father's Death, and with Interest from his Death; one of the Children dies after the Father, but within a Year after his Death, the Portion not being raised, held *per Cur.* that it should sink in the Inheritance, and not be raised for the Benefit of its Representative.

**U**PON the Plaintiff's Intermarriage with her Husband in 1700, he and the Plaintiff and Defendant his eldest Son and Heir Apparent, join in a Settlement of several Lands to Trustees, and their Heirs, to the Use of the Husband for Life, Remainder as to part to the Use of the Wife for Life, Remainder after their two Deaths; and as their several Estates should determine to the Trustees for 500 Years upon the Trusts after mentioned, with several Remainders over; and it is hereby declared and agreed, that the Term of 500 Years is so limited upon Trust; and to the Intent and Purpose that the said Trustees, &c. do and shall out of the Rents and Profits of the said Term, or by Mortgage or Sale thereof raise the Sum of 400 *l.* apiece, for any younger Child or Children to be begotten between the Husband and Wife, and to be paid to them respectively within one Year after the Commencement of the said Term of 500 Years, with Interest at 5 *per Cent. per Ann.* from the Father's Death, till paid.

They have three Daughters and one Son, the Father dies, and one of the Daughters dies afterwards, within the Year after her Father's Death.

The Plaintiff her Mother takes out Administration, and brings this Bill against the Trustees and Heir at Law, to have the 400 *l.* raised and paid with Interest.

For the Plaintiff it was insisted, that this 400*l.* became due immediately upon the Father's Death, and might have been then raised and paid; and that the limiting it to be paid within a Year after the Commencement of the Term, was only for the Convenience of the Trustees in giving them a reasonable Time to raise it in; and that if they had paid these Portions presently, the Payment would have been good, and a proper discharge might have been given for it.

That this Case differed from the Cases, where a Portion is to be paid at 21, or Marriage, or any other Time certain, there perhaps, if the Party dies before, and so has no Occasion for it, this Court won't Charge the Heir's Inheritance for the Sake of Strangers; but here it was due presently upon the Father's Death, for then the Term, as to part of the Lands, had 'tis Commencement; and 'tis appointed also, that they should have Interest at 5 *l. per Cent.* till their Portions paid, and surely there cannot be Interest where there is no Principal.

On the other Side, 'twas argued for the Defendants, that if this were a Legacy, and to be paid out of the Personal Estate, this would be *debitum in Presenti*; and tho' the Party died before Payment, it should go to their Representatives; but the Difference has always been taken since the Case of *Pawlett* and *Pawlett*, where such Portions are to be paid out of the Personal Estate, and where they are to be raised out of the Real Estate, and so execute a Charge upon the Inheritance of the Heir; for in such Case, if the Party for whom 'tis provided, dies before Payment, it shall sink in the Inheritance for the Benefit of the Heir, and his Estate shall not be loaded only for the Benefit of Strangers.

My Lord Chancellor said, true it is in this Case, the 400*l.* apiece was raisable by the Trustees presently after the Father's Death, if they had thought fit; but the Children could not have demanded it 'till after the Year, 'twas not absolutely due upon the Commencement of the Term, because



because there was a whole Year given for the raising of it; and therefore since one of the Daughters is dead within the Year, and before such Time as she could have demanded it, in favour to the Heir, and for the Benefit of his Inheritance the Cases have all gone this Way, that such Portions should sink, and not be raised at all, and accordingly pronounced his Decree; but as to the other Children, who were likewise Plaintiffs, an Account was decreed to be taken of the Rents and Profits of the Term, and their Portions to be forthwith raised and paid by Sale or Mortgage.

On the other side, it was urged for the Defendants, that if this were a Legacy, and to be paid out of the Personal Estate, this would be debited in Present; and the Party died before Payment, it should go to their Representatives; but the Difference has always been taken since the Case of Parker and Parker, where such Portions are to be paid out of the Personal Estate, and where they are to be raised out of the Real Estate, and to secure a Charge upon the Inheritance of the Heir, for in such Case, if the Party for whom it is provided, dies before Payment, it shall sink in the Inheritance, for the Benefit of the Heir, and his Estate shall not be loaded only for the Benefit of Strangers.

My Lord Chancellor said, true it is in this Case the Real Estate was available by the Trusts presently after the Father's Death, if they had thought fit; but the Children could not have demanded it till after the Year, 'twas not absolutely due upon the Commencement of the Term, because

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## Termino Paschæ,

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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Holt versus Burleigh.*

**A** Man makes a Settlement upon the Marriage of his Son with one B. and (*inter alia*) there is this Proviso, *viz.* Provided that if the said B. shall happen to survive her Husband, not having Issue, or without Issue of their two Bodies lawfully begotten between them, B. to have Power to sell and dispose of such Lands. The Husband dies, leaving Issue; some Years after, that Issue dies without Issue, and then the Wife sells those Lands.

have Power to dispose of such Lands. The Husband dies leaving Issue; some Years after, that Issue dies without Issue, and then the Wife sells those Lands, and held she had sufficient Power.

Now this Bill was brought by the Heir at Law of the Husband, to have the Deeds and Writings from the Vendee, as not coming in Pursuant to the Power.

For him, 'twas insisted, that the Husband leaving Issue, the Wife did not survive her Husband, not having Issue, or without Issue; and therefore the Power never took Effect.

My Lord Chancellor said, there was no Occasion in this Case to make any artificial Construction of the Proviso; for that the Words thereof fell in naturally with the Meaning of the Parties, and gave her a Power

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to sell when the Issue failed ; for where an Estate is made to a Man and the Heirs of his Body ; and if he die without Issue, or without Heirs of his Body, the Remainder over, this is a good Limitation whenever the Issue fails ; tho' in that Case, if he leaves Issue, he can't properly be said to die without Issue. But this is a much stronger Case, for Death is a single Act, and to be performed but once ; and tho' the Issue dies without Issue a Year after, you can't say he died without Issue, because he actually left Issue ; and yet a Limitation over in such Case is good ; but here surviving is a continuing Act, and she survives her Husband as much a Year after his Death, as she did the first Moment ; and therefore if the Issue fails during her Life, she actually survives without Issue, or not having Issue, because the Issue fails during her Survivorship, which continues after the Failure of Issue ; and this is the plain and natural Meaning of the Words, and agrees with the Intention of the Parties, which was to give her the Disposal of so much Lands, in Case the Issue to be provided for by the Settlement failed, and therefore dismiss'd the Plaintiff's Bill. *Note,* The Cases cited were 1 *Leon.* 285. 3 *Leon.* 106. 1 *Sid.* and 1 *Lev.* *Goodyer versus Clerk.*

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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Thompson versus Waller.*

Case 231.

**I**N this Case it was held clearly by my Lord Chancellor, that upon an Appeal, either from the *Rolls* to him, or from him to the House of Lords, no new Matter not in Issue in the Cause below should be suffered or insisted on; and said, that rather than give Way to a Precedent of such general Inconvenience as this would be, he would dismiss the Appeal, tho' by it the Plaintiff were forced to bring a new Bill, or a Bill of Review for his Relief.

Upon an Appeal from the *Rolls*, or to the House of Lords, no new Matter to be insisted upon.

*Willson versus Pack & al'.*

Case 232.

**T**HE Plaintiff was a Woollen Draper, and had sold to the Defendant's Intestate, Cloth and other Goods to above 80 L. Value, for which, after the Intestate's Death, having brought his Action against one *Busby*, who by the Consent of the Widow *Pack* had taken out Administration, and upon *Plene Administravit*, pleaded and found for the Defendant, the Plaintiff had Judgment, *de bonis Intestati cum Acciderint*, and the Widow

Where the Wife's Paraphernalia will be liable to the Husband's Debts.

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*Pack* being possessed of several Diamonds, Jewels, and other Things, to the Value of 200 *l.* and upwards, which she pretended to have bought out of Money allowed her for her separate Maintenance, as Pin-Money, pursuant to an Agreement made before Marriage with her Father.

The Plaintiff brought his Bill against the Widow, *Busby* the Administrator, and the Father the Trustee, to discover Assets, and to subject these Jewels to a Course of Administration, in Order to pay the Plaintiff's Debt.

For the Plaintiff, it was insisted, that admitting it had been proved these Jewels had been bought with the Money saved by the Defendant out of her separate Maintenance, or Pin-Money; yet they ought to be subject to the Plaintiff's Debts, that it was in Nature of a stipulated Paraphernalia, and being only the ornamental Part of the Wife, it was more reasonable to subject it to pay the Husband's Debts, than that his Creditors should Starve; that true it was, if such Settlement or separate Maintenance were made before Marriage, or after, in pursuance of Articles executed before, that the Husband's Creditors could not break into the Fund, or subject that to his Debts; yet these Jewels being bought with the Money arising thereby, the Property was immediately changed, and they became the Husband's; and to construe it otherwise would be to set up a separate Rule of Property in the Wife against Law and Reason.

For the Defendant it was insisted, that there was no Manner of Foundation for such Construction, that the Court had already gone farther in protecting, even the Interest of Money saved out of such separate Maintenance against the Husband's Debts.

Then the Plaintiff went into his Proofs to show that this separate Maintenance was made after Marriage, and so fraudulent and void against the Husband's Creditors, and that these Jewels were not bought with the Money saved out of the separate Maintenance.

For the Defendant 'twas insisted, that tho' the Settlement was after Marriage, yet it was in Pursuance of a Bond given by the Husband before Marriage; that upon executing such Settlement, the Bond was delivered up and cancelled; and that the Settlement was recited to be in Pursuance of an Agreement made before Marriage; but as to the Bond there was no positive Proof, it only went to their Belief that there was such a one; but neither the Father to whom it was supposed to be made, nor any other could prove it directly.

Then as to the Jewels being bought out of the separate Maintenance, that being but 80 *l.* per Ann. and the Jewels above 200 *l.* Value, and bought in two Years after the Settlement, made it plain they could not be bought with Money saved out of the separate Maintenance; and as to the recital in the Settlement, that it was in Pursuance of an Agreement before Marriage, it was insisted, that if such Bond had been given, it was easy to have mentioned the Date and other Particulars of it, that if such general recitals in Settlements made after Marriage should prevail, 'twould open a Way to defraud all Creditors, and therefore ought not to be allowed to bind the Plaintiff, who was a Stranger and a just Creditor.

Lord Chancellor said, that the Paraphernalia being only Superfluities and Ornaments to the Wife, was the Reason the Law had subjected them to the Husband's Debts, rather than that his Creditors should Starve; but as to such separate Allowance, if the Defendant had proved it to have been made before Marriage, and that the Jewels were bought with the Money arising thereout, they would not have been liable to the Husband's Debts; but here the Defendant had failed in both Points, that to allow such general recitals in Settlements made after Marriage, would be of dangerous Consequence; and that 'twas strange, if there was such Bond, that neither the Father to whom it was supposed to be made, nor the Witness who was supposed to draw

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it, should be able to swear to it, that the Person who sold the Jewels knew nothing of any separate Maintenance, and had declared, that he trusted only the Husband, and should have taken him for his Paymaster; and therefore decreed an Account to be taken of the Value of the Jewels, and they to be sold to satisfy the Plaintiff, unless the Lady whom he believed would be unwilling to part with them, should pay the Plaintiff his Debt and the Costs of this Suit.

Case 233.

*Bird versus Hooper.*

A. by Will gives his Children several Legacies, and gives his eldest Son 2000 l. Afterwards gives him 400 l. to go to Italy, and being a Merchant, enters his Son Debtor 400 l. Afterwards upon a Calculation of his Estate, and finding it not sufficient to pay the whole, he by a Codicil retrenches 400 l. out of the younger Childrens Legacies, without taking Notice of this 400 l. the 400 l. shall not be deducted out of the 2000 l. to the eldest Son.

A Man having several Children, makes his Will, and thereby devises to them several Legacies, and amongst the rest gives his eldest Son 2000 l. Afterwards the Father sends his eldest Son to *Italy*, and gives him 400 l. and being a Merchant, makes an Entry in his Book on the Debtor's Side, *my Son B. Debtor 400 l.* then by a Codicil having taken an Account of his Estate, and finding it would not Answer all the Legacies, he retrenches 400 l. out of each of the younger Children's Legacies, without taking any Notice of the eldest Son; and by his said Codicil he mentions several Debts that were owing to him, and gives them towards paying the Legacies; but takes no Notice of the 400 l. so advanced to his eldest Son, and soon after dies.

The Question was, Whether this 400 l. should be deducted out of the eldest Son's Legacy of 2000 l. he having brought his Bill for the whole Legacy.

For the Plaintiff, 'twas argued, that no Deduction ought to be made; for 1st, 'twas plain, that such Entry had been before the making of the Will, and then he had by his Will given 2000 l. to the Plaintiff, he should have had it all, without any Regard to such Entry; that tho' here 'twas made after the Will, yet the

the Testator being a Merchant, and keeping Books regularly for the Entry of all Moneys issued out or received by Way of Creditor and Debtor, this Entry was only for a *Memorandum*, to shew when and to whom this 400 *l.* was paid; that 'tis usual amongst such Persons to set down all the Money they pay, and if to the Cook or Housekeeper for the Necessaries of the Family, yet they usually enter them Debtor so much, and therefore this Entry is not to be regarded.

2dly, When he afterwards made his Codicil, he thereby retrenched 400 *l.* out of all his other Childrens Legacies, and yet takes no Notice of this 400 *l.* advanced to his eldest Son, which, if he had intended should be deducted, he would have mentioned it; besides, he therein reckons up several Sums of Money that were due to him from several Persons, and thereby makes an Estimate of his Estate; and if he had intended to include this 400 *l.* he would likewise have taken Notice of that, as a Debt due to him.

'Twas also further urged, that this 400 *l.* was advanced all at once, as a Sum in Gross for the setting out his eldest Son in the World, that he had been no other Charge to his Father, whereas the other Children were a constant Charge to him, that he had a particular Kindness for this Son; and if the 400 *l.* should be deducted out of this Legacy, he would have less Share of his Father's Kindness, than the other Children.

The Defendants the Executors confessed Assets, and submitted to do as the Court should direct.

The Master of the Rolls being only in Court, decreed the whole 2000 *l.* to the Plaintiff, and mentioned a Case of my Lord Guernsey, who married a Daughter of Sir John Banks, with whom he had a considerable Fortune in Land. Afterwards Sir John builds a House upon the Land, and being a Merchant makes an Entry, Lord Guernsey Debtor so much for building the House, and then makes his Will, and devises the Residue of his Estate

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to his two Daughters; and yet it was held this House should fall into the Lump of the Fortune given the Lady Guernsey. Note, For the Plaintiff was cited 1 Chan. Cases 301.

Case 234.

### Jones versus Selby.

The Nature of a Donatio Causa Mortis, in what it differs from a Will, the Evidence to prove it must be very strong.

**T**HIS was an Appeal from a Decree of the Master of the Rolls, upon one single Point, which was this:

The Plaintiff was a Relation of and House-keeper to *Charles Amburst* deceased, and had lived with him upwards of 20 Years, *Charles Amburst* in March 1702 makes his Will, and thereby gives the Plaintiff (whose Name was then *Wetherley*) 500 l. about two or three Months after, being minded to augment her Fortune, and having an Hair Trunk, wherein were several Things of Value, he sends for her, and calls up two of his Servants, and in their Presence, says thus, *I give to my Cousin Mrs. Wetherley this Hair Trunk, and all that is contained in it,* and delivers her the Key thereof, and bid the Servants take Notice, and remember it, if they should be at any Time called upon for that Purpose, and several Times after, as it was proved in the Cause, asked them if they remember'd the Hair Trunk, and once took a Candle and shewed it them, that they might remember it.

About three Years after, *Charles Amburst* makes another Will, wherein he first revokes all other Wills by him at any Time made, and by that Will gives the Plaintiff 1000 l. but takes no Notice of the Gift of the Hair Trunk, or any Thing in it, and dies.

Four Days after his Death, upon opening of the Trunk, in the Presence of several Relations, and others, there was found in it several Rings, Pieces of Gold, and amongst other Things, a Tally upon the Government for 500 l.

The now Plaintiff *Mrs. Jones* brought her Bill for the 1000 *l*. and for this 500 *l*. Tally, and had a Decree for the 1000 *l*. but by Reason of the Parliament sitting, the other Point, as to the Tally, was heard before the Master of the Rolls, and he likewise decreed that to her; whereupon this Appeal was brought: 'Twas proved for the Appellant, that the Trunk was never removed from the Place where it stood at first, that Mr. *Amburse* gave out the Order from Time to Time for renewing of the Interest upon the Tally, and received it himself.

'Twas now insisted upon for the Appellant, that the Testator having given her 500 *l*. by his first Will, tho' he afterwards declared his Intention to make it up 1000 *l*. and accordingly gave her the Trunk, and all that was in it; yet there was but a *Donatio causa Mortis*, that it was in the Nature of a Legacy, waited on the Death of the Testator, and was ambulatory and open till that Time.

That by his revoking all former Wills, this Donation, which was but in Nature of a Will, and not to receive its Completion till his Death, was revoked likewise; that however, if it were not, yet his Intention appearing by the first Will, and the subsequent Donation to give her but 1000 *l*. that the 1000 *l*. given by the Will should be taken in Recompence and Satisfaction thereof; that if a Man gives Bond for the Payment of a Sum of Money to another, and after, by his Will, gives the same Person a Legacy of as great or more Value, that shall be taken to be in Satisfaction of the Debt, *a Fortiori*, in this Case, where 'twas only a Gift that was voluntary, and not to take Effect 'till his Death.

Besides, 'twas urged, that the Plaintiff ought to have proved, that this Tally was in the Trunk at the Time of the Gift.

That 'twas probable, that if the Testator had intended to give her that over and above the 1000 *l*. he

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would have ratified it by his Will, or at least have taken some Notice of it, and that being in the Nature of a Legacy, it ought not to stand against Creditors.

The Creditors likewise had brought a Cross Bill, for Satisfaction of their Debts; and therefore 'twas pray'd the Decree may be reversed.

On the other Side, 'twas argued much from the Proof of the Testator's Kindness to the Plaintiff, that the Reason he gave no more than 1000 *l.* by his Will, was, because he had given his own Sisters no more, that he intended to leave the Plaintiff in such a Condition as to be able to keep a Servant after his Death, &c. that they had proved the Gift of this Hair Trunk by two Servants, and his delivery of the Key; that he afterwards refused to take the Key, telling her 'twas her own, that if this Tally did not belong to the Plaintiff, the Gift would be of little Value; that he never would have used so much Solemnity in the giving of it to her, if there had been nothing in it; that 'twas strange he should call up two of his Servants, and so often ask them, if they remembered it, if he had given her nothing but an old Hair Trunk.

Then as to the *Donatio causa Mortis*, they agreed, 'twas not to take Effect 'till his Death; but when that happened, it took Effect, *ab initio*, from the Donation made, that the Revocation of all former Wills could not revoke that, and cited *Bracton* and *Justinian's Institutes* of the several Sorts of Donations, *Causa Mortis*, that by them it appeared, such Donation had no Dependence on the Will, that if the Donor died first, 'twas an absolute Gift; but if the Donee died first, then indeed it was to return back to the Donor, and not to go to the Executors or Representatives of the Donee, that this Tally should be presumed to be in the Trunk at that Time, and to presume the Plaintiff put it in after, would be to presume her guilty of a Fraud, which

which is a Presumption against Law and Equity, and therefore it lay on the other Side to prove it was put in after.

That the taking no Notice of this Tally in his Will was an Argument, that he did not look upon it as any part of his Estate, but given away before, that upon opening of the Trunk this Tally was found in it, and the several Relations and others present, were then satisfied of the Plaintiff's Right thereto; however, they had been advised since, and therefore it was pray'd the Decree might be affirmed.

Lord Chancellor said, you agree, that a *Donatio causa Mortis*, is a Gift in *Presenti*, to take Effect in *Futuro*, after the Party's Death, as a Will, and that it is revokable during his Life, as a Will is, and so it differs in nothing from a Will, for 'tis not a present Substantive Gift; and therefore he thought that this Case consisted but of two Points.

1<sup>st</sup>, Whether there be sufficient Evidence to prove, that the Tally was in the Trunk at the Time of the Gift.

2<sup>dly</sup>, Whether this Will were not a Revocation of it.

As to the 1<sup>st</sup>, he premised, that these Sorts of Donations, especially where they were of the same Kind with what was given by the Will, ought to be fully proved in all their Circumstances; otherwise they were not to be countenanced, because it would open a Way to Perjury and Fraud greater than the Statutes already in Force, had provided against: That here, the Plaintiff had not proved by any one Witness, that this Tally was in the Trunk at the Time of the Gift; that if it had been so, surely the Testator would then, or when he had Occasion so often after, have told the Witnesses of it, that 'twas strange he should bid them take Notice of the Trunk, and not mention the Tally, which was the principal Thing in it; that all the Plaintiff proved upon this Score was, its being there when the Trunk was opened, which was three Years after the Gift, and four Days after



after the Testator's Death, that he set there to condemn Frauds, and therefore might presume them, unless they proved the contrary.

As to the 2d Point, Whether the Will were not a Revocation, he said, it could not be properly called a Revocation; but the 1000 *l.* therein given should be look'd upon as a Satisfaction of the 500 *l.* given her by the first Will, and the 500 *l.* Tally after that: One cannot be said to revoke a Debt by his Will; but yet he may satisfy it, by giving a Legacy of equal Value, and since he had revoked all former Wills, this 1000 *l.* was a Satisfaction equivalent to a Revocation, and must go in Recompence of the 1000 *l.* he had before intended her, since she could not prove he intended it otherwise; for if she had, then the *Donatio causâ Mortis*, must have stood, and therefore the Decree was reversed.

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## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Clavell* versus *Littleton* & al'.

Case 235.

**S**IR *Edward Littleton* having a Wife and one only Daughter, and being to go to the *East-Indies*, makes a Settlement of his Estate on four Trustees, whereby he limits to them a Term of 1000 Years out of part of his Estate, upon Trust, that they should out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits, raise and pay to his Wife, during her Life 180 *l.* per Ann. if he should so long continue beyond Sea; and 100 *l.* per Ann. to his Daughter, for her Maintenance, 'till Marriage, and then directs, that the Trustees should by Demise, Mortgage, or Sale of his Estate, or so much thereof as should be necessary for that Purpose, raise the Sum of 5000 *l.* for his Daughter's Portion, to be paid her within three Months after her Marriage, and leaves the Deed in the Trustees Hands.

A Settlement made by a Person going beyond Sea, tho' voluntary, not to be controuled by a Letter wrote by him afterwards to the Trustees.

About a Month after, Sir *Edward* being on Ship-board in order for his Voyage, writes a Letter to his Trustees, wherein he expresses great Concern for his Daughter, and his Desire that she should marry well, takes Notice, that he had limited 5000 *l.* to her for her Portion; but that he thinks his Estate would be too

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much loaded by so great a Portion, and that he would leave some Thing for himself in Case Things should prove Cross; therefore directs, that if she married a Person of some Profession, or Trade, and of a good Estate, that she should have 2000 *l.* raised presently, and the Reversion of some part of his Estate after his Death, which would make up her Fortune in the whole about 5000 *l.* but if she married otherwise, he would not give her a Farthing, and named one *John Vaughan*, with whom he forbids her marrying, calling him a sorry, impertinent Fellow, and expressed himself, that if she married with him, or any such, she should have nothing.

The Plaintiff was a Gentleman of 7 or 800 *l.* per *Ann.* and somewhat related to the Family, and went to the Coach with *Sir Edward*, and he then expressed great Kindness for him, and desired him to take Care of his Daughter; some Time after *Sir Edward* was gone, the Plaintiff makes his Addresse to the Daughter, who was then about 25 Years of Age, and marries her, and she dies about a Year after, without Issue.

Thereupon the Plaintiff brought his Bill in this Court against the Trustees, and others, to have the Portion of 5000 *l.* raised and paid to him, he having taken out Letters of Administration to her; but *Sir Edward Littleton* being then living, and not made Party to the Suit, the Cause went off for that Reason.

And now *Sir Edward* being dead, the Cause was brought on again against the Trustees.

For the Defendants, 'twas insisted, that these Instructions were in the Nature of a Letter of Attorney to the Trustees, and impowered them to Act as *Sir Edward* himself might have done, and that they stood in his Place; and therefore, tho' he had made such a Provision for his Daughter, yet it was meerly voluntary; and if he had not gone beyond Sea, but had kept the Deed by him in his own Power, he might have cancelled it at Pleasure; that these Instructions were a kind of Defeazance of the Deed, tho' there was no express Power

Power of Revocation, that the same Power he himself would have had, was by this Letter transferred to the Trustees; and therefore the Plaintiff ought to have applied to them for their Consent.

That Sir Edward desiring him to take Care of his Daughter, was a kind of Guardianship delegated to him, and could not be intended as any Encouragement for him to marry her; and a Guardian's marrying his Ward, is always looked upon as a breach of Trust; besides, the Plaintiff had made no Settlement on her, and Sir Edward's Circumstances are very much altered; he was indebted in considerable Sums of Money to the *East-India* Company, and others, which it was feared his Estate would not be sufficient to answer; that these Instructions ought to be allowed to explain his Intent; and if a Man Purchases an Estate by a Particular, but in the Conveyance itself leaves out several of the Parcels, this Court will set it aside.

A Man Purchasing an Estate by a Particular; but in the Conveyance itself Part

of the Land is left out, Equity will set it aside.

My Lord Keeper was very unwilling to suffer the Instructions to be read, saying, surely they can be no controul of the Deed, especially, being made a Month after the Deed was executed, and cited a Case of *Clavering* and *Clavering* to that Purpose, and said, it would be a Means to break through all Settlements, if such Instructions or Memorandums should be allowed to explain or alter them; that the Plaintiff was a Gentleman of a considerable Estate, and if the Wife had survived, she would have been intitled to Dower out of his Estate, tho' no Settlement had been made; that as to Creditors, this Deed would be voluntary; but they were not hurt by this Decree, having no Bill to set it aside, that at present he could make no other Decree, but that the whole 5000 *l.* shall be raised and paid to the Plaintiff, with Interest, from three Months after the Marriage; but it being against the Heirs at Law, would not allow the Plaintiff any Costs.



Case 236.

*Pye versus Gorges.*

Trustees in a  
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**I**N this Case my Lord *Keeper* declared his Opinion clearly to be, that if Trustees in a Settlement to support Contingent Remainders, join with the Tenant for Life in any Conveyance to destroy the Contingent Remainders before they come *in esse*, that this was a Breach of Trust in them, and besides he should make no scruple to set aside the Conveyance.

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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Crosby versus Jonathan Middleton, Col- Case 237.  
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**A** Bond for 500 l. was sealed and delivered by the Defendant *Jonathan* and his Brother *Thomas*, for whom he was to be bound; but *Collison*, who drew the Bond, left out *Jonathan's* Name. *Thomas* and the Plaintiff had several Dealings together for many Years afterwards, and 'till *Thomas* broke and went to *Jamaica*, in a Ship, whereof the Plaintiff was Part-Owner, and after that sold his Part to one *Rycocks*.

*A.* agrees to be bound in a Bond, as Surety to *B.* and Signs and Seals it accordingly; but by the neglect of the Clerk, *A's* Name was not inserted, the Obligee shows *A.* the

Condition and his Name and Seal, demands Payment, and threatens to sue him, unless he would give fresh Security, which *A.* agrees to; but after finding the Mistake, refused, not being bound by Law, yet Equity will compel him.

In May 1700, the Obligee came to the Defendant *Jonathan*, and having folded down the Bond, shewed him the Condition, with his Hand and Seal, and demanded the Money, or fresh Security, which he agreed to, and proposed Mr. *Rycocks*, who demanding a Sight of the Bond, found the Mistake, and dissuaded the Defendant from entring into the new Bonds, Mr. *Bird*, a Lawyer, advising him, that the Bond was void against him.

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Whereupon the Plaintiff exhibits his Bill to be relieved against the Fraud in *Collison*; and to have a Performance of the Defendant *Jonathan's* last Agreement.

Mr. *Vernon* for the Plaintiff insisted, they were proper in a Court of Equity to be relieved against an Accident, or Fraud, and that here have been frequent Instances of Relief in such Cases as this.

Mr. *Dobyns* for the Defendant insisted, that the Party was never bound, had committed no Fraud, but on the contrary was circumvented into the last Agreement, for had he known that his Name was not in the Bond, he never would have treated, and urged the Presumption that it was paid, and the Staleness of the Demand; if a Man makes a voluntary Deed, or Gift, in Writing, which is not effectual, this Court will not assist; and they have not proved, that they refused to lend *Thomas* the Money, unless the Defendant would become bound for it, nor any Treaty thereon, nor Money Lent, nor any Demand or Interest paid in 49 Years; and that would be sufficient Time to ground a Presumption of Payment, even at a *nisi Prius*, if the Parties had been able, and we prove the Dealings of *Thomas* with the Plaintiff almost ever since.

Lord Keeper. Your Defence will not prevail, for his Hand and Seal is sufficient Evidence for Equity to relieve against. I must Decree it against you upon the first Agreement; but since 49 Years is not a sufficient Time to ground a Presumption in Equity, as you would have, you may take an Issue, and try Payment or Non-Payment next Assizes.

Case 238.

9 February.  
Lord Keeper  
*Harcourt*.

A Creditor  
who obtains  
Judgment  
after the  
Debtor has  
made a Con-  
veyance of  
his Estate for

### *Stephenson versus Hayward.*

ONE *Beeching* made a Mortgage of his Estate, and became indebted to *Hayward* in 60 l. and then convey'd to *Streater* another Defendant in Trust, to pay the Debt of *Streater*, and then all his other Debts in Average;

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his Estate for Payment of his Debts, shall be paid only in Average.

Average; then *Streater* tendred the Money to the Mortgagee, which he refused, and afterwards assigned the Mortgage to *Hayward*, and then *Hayward* obtained Judgment against *Beeching* on his Bond of 60 l. and then *Streater* sold to the Plaintiffs, who not having paid their Purchase Money, preferred their Bill against the Mortgagees, and *Hayward* to redeem.

My Lord Keeper ordered, that the Plaintiffs should redeem *Hayward's* Mortgage, and deduct their Costs out of the Mortgage Money, and that the Judgment should be paid but in Proportion; for tho' *Hayward* had a Title at Law, and it was insisted, that this Judgment would affect the resulting Equity in *Beeching*, if there was more than sufficient to pay his Debts; and none of the Creditors of *Beeching* were made Parties to the Suit; yet my Lord Keeper thought, that the Conveyance made for the Payment of all *Beeching's* Debts was a good Consideration, and that being Prior to the Judgment, the subsequent Judgment could not affect the Estate; and tho' no Creditors of *Beeching* were made Parties, yet they might be brought in before the Master.



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## Termino Paschæ,

1711.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 239.

*Meredith versus Wynn.*

Where the Wife's Portion charged by Will on certain Lands pursuant to a Power in Settlement, shall go to the Administrator of the Husband, and not to the Administrator of the Wife; tho' the Husband and Wife are both dead, and the Portion not raised.

**I**N this Case the main Question was, Whether a Wife's Portion of 1250 *l.* charged by Will on such Lands, pursuant to a Power in a Settlement, should go to the Administratrix of the Wife, as a chose in Action, or to the Plaintiff, who was Administrator of the Husband, they being both dead, and the Money not yet raised.

not raised.

As to which, the Case was, that one *John Wynn*, on the Marriage of his Son *William*, settles several Lands on that Marriage, with a Power for *John*, by Writing or Will, to charge the Lands with 2000 *l.* for such Uses as he should think fit, and after *John* by Will reciting this Power, charges the said Lands with 2000 *l.* to his two Daughters *Dorothy* and *Barbara*, and directs that his Son *William* should within two Months after his Death give them Security for 1000 *l.* apiece, being the 2000 *l.* he had a Power to charge; and if he should refuse so to do, then he made *Dorothy* and *Barbara* Co-executors with *William*, and likewise gave to his said

two Daughters 250 *l.* apiece, besides the said 2000 *l.* and dies.

*William* gives his two Sisters Bond for their Fortunes; *Barbara* Intermarries with one *Richard Middleton*, and on the Marriage Treaty, Articles were entred into; whereby *Richard* agreed to clear his Estate, being 70 *l.* per Ann. of the Incumbrances that were then upon it, within six Months after the Marriage should be had, and for every 1000 *l.* he should receive of *Barbara's* Portion, to settle 10 *l.* per Ann. on her for her Jointure for Life, and to settle Lands on the first and other Sons of that Marriage. *Barbara* was no Party, at least never sealed these Articles; the Marriage takes Effect; *Barbara* dies within six Months, without Issue; *Richard*, on a second Marriage with one *Dorothy Pedell*, who had a Portion of 1600 *l.* in Trustees Hands, by Articles agrees to lay out the 1250 *l.* he was intitled unto, in Right of his first Wife; and this 1600 *l.* when received, in the Purchase of Lands, to be settled on *Dorothy* for a Jointure; and for a Provision for the Issue of that Marriage, which Marriage after takes Effect; then *Richard* dies before he had got in either of the Portions, the Plaintiff his Sister takes out Administration to him, and Intermarries with the Plaintiff *Meredith*, then comes to an Agreement with *Dorothy*, whereby she was to retain the 1600 *l.* her own Portion, and to release all her Right and Title to the 1250 *l.* or to any Settlement to be made on her therewith, and this is reduced into Writing, and executed; the Defendant took out Administration to *Barbara*; and against him and *John* the Grandson and Heir of old *John Wynn*, who had the Land by Descent, subject to raise this 1250 *l.* was this Bill brought to have that Portion raised and paid.

My Lord Keeper decreed it accordingly; because the Husband in this Case was a Purchaser of the Wife's Portion, by his Agreement, to disincumber his own Estate, and settle a Jointure on her, wherein he had proceeded so far, as to sell some of his Estate, in Order



to discharge the rest; and the Death of the Wife without Issue within the six Months, prevented his making a Settlement pursuant to the Articles; so that he having done all in his Power, and being guilty of no Default, ought not to turn to his Prejudice; and the Plaintiff having now taken Administration to him, stands in his Place, and must have the Benefit thereof; besides, upon his second Marriage with *Dorothy Pedell*, he actually agreed, in Consideration of her Portion to lay out this 1250 *l.* and settle Lands on her; so that she then became intitled to this Money, as a Purchaser, for a valuable Consideration; and when she, after her Husband's Death, chose to have her own 1600 *l.* which belonged to the Plaintiff as Administratrix to the Husband, and the Plaintiff agreed to it, by this the Plaintiff likewise became a Purchaser of the 1250 *l.* for 1600 *l.* she consented to give up to the Widow, and therefore decreed an Account to be taken of the Personal Estate of *John* the Grandfather, and what that fell short to be made up out of the Real Estate come to the Defendant's Hands; and if any Real Charges were paid out of the Personal Estate, the Plaintiff to stand in their Place for a Satisfaction of this 1250 *l.* out of the Lands, to make so much as the Personal Estate remaining should fall short to pay.

2 Vern. 401.

*Note*, A Case of *Burnet* and *Kinaston* was cited, where a voluntary Disposition by the Husband of his Wife's Fortune, before it was got in, being secured by Mortgages, Bonds, &c. should not bind the Wife, or her Representatives after his Death; but here the Husband was a Purchaser thereof for a valuable Consideration.

Another Point of this Case was, that Serjeant *Owen Wynn* had by his Will given to *Barbara* 100 *l.* as a Legacy, and another Person had likewise by his Will given her a Legacy of 50 *l.* and of both these Wills, *John* the Father of *Barbara* was Executor, and whether the 1250 *l.* given by the Father should go in Satisfaction of these two Legacies of 100 and 50 was the Question.

Where a Devise shall be a Satisfaction for what is due to the Devisee.

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## Termino S. Mich.

1711.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 240.

*Hyde versus Hyde.*

An Infant  
Male may  
make a Will  
of his Personal Estate at  
14, a Female  
at 12.

2 Mod. 315.

IN this Case no Dispute was made, but that an Infant Male of 14 Years, and a Female of 12 Years, might make a Will of the Personal Estate; and it was said to be so agreed by my Lord Keeper *Wright*, in a Case of *Sharp versus Sharp*, wherein they followed the Rule of the Civil Law of *Justinian*, as at those Ages they might consent to Marriage.

Case 241.

*Jones versus Westcomb.*

31 Or. 1711.

THIS was a Case wherein my Lord Keeper took Time to consider, before he would give his Judgment, and was this.

A. devised a  
Term for  
Years to his  
Wife for Life,  
and after her  
Death to the  
Child, she  
was then en-  
fient with;  
but if such

A Man possessed of a long Term for Years, by his Will devised it to his Wife for Life, and after her Death to the Child, she was then *enfient* with; and if such Child died before it came to the Age of 21, then he devised one third Part of the said Term to his Wife,

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Child died before 21, then he devised one third Part of the said Term to his Wife, whom he made Executrix; the Wife not being *enfient* at the Time of the Devise held, 1st. That the Devise to her was good, tho' the Contingency never happened. 2dly. That she should have the undisposed Surplus of the Personal Estate, and not to go in a Course of Administration.

her Executors and Administrators, and the other two thirds to other Persons, and made his Wife Executrix of his Will, and died.

This Bill was brought against her by the next of Kin of the Testator, to have an Account and Distribution of the Surplus of his Estate, not devised by his Will.

And two Questions were made, 1<sup>st</sup>. Whether the Devise to the Wife of one third Part of the Term were good, because it happened she was not then *ensient* at all, and so the Contingency upon which the Devise to her was to take Place, never happened.

The other Question was, Whether this Term being Part of the Personal Estate, and expressly devised to her for Life, with such other Contingent Interest on the Death of the supposed *ensient* Child before 21, should shut her out from the Surplus of the Personal Estate, which belonged to her as Executrix, and so the Surplus go in a Course of Administration, to be distributed amongst the Plaintiffs as next of Kin.

As to the first Point, my Lord Keeper now delivered his Opinion, that tho' the Wife was not *ensient* at the Time of the Will, yet the Devise to her of such third Part of the Term, was good.

And as to the other Point, dismiss'd the Plaintiff's Bill, and so let in the Executrix to the Surplus of the Personal Estate, notwithstanding the Devise to her of Part as aforesaid.

*Stapleton versus Cheales.*

Case 242.

**I**N this Case it was urged by Council at the Bar, and agreed by the Court, that if a Legacy be devised to one generally to be paid, or payable at the Age of 21 Years, or any other Age, and the Legatee die before that Age; yet this was such an Interest vested in

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A Legacy devised to an Infant payable, or to be paid at the Age of 21, is an Interest vested, so that it shall go to the Executors or Admini-

strators of the Infant, tho' he dies before that Age; otherwise if devised to one at 21, or if, or when he shall attain the Age of 21.



the Legatee, that his Executors or Administrators may Sue for and Recover it, and with this agrees the Law of the Spiritual Court, as was reported by Dr. Ambery, 1 Leon. 177. Godb. 182. for this is *debitum in presenti*, tho' *solvendum in futuro*; but if a Legacy be devised to one at 21, or if, or when he shall attain the Age of 21 Years, and the Legatee dies before that Age, in this Case the Legacy is lapsed, and shall not go to his Executors or Administrators.

A Legacy devised to an Infant to carry Interest at a certain Rate, vests in him so as to go to his Executor or Administrator.

But if in that Case the Testator had added, that in the mean Time, or until the Legatee attains that Age, that he shall have Interest for the said Legacy at such a Rate, from the Time of his the Testator's Decease, this subsequent Clause explains the Intent of the Testator, so as to make the Legacy, which was the Principal, an Interest vested, which shall go to his Executors or Administrators, tho' the Legatee die before that Age, because, if the Principal were not due presently upon the Testator's Decease, there could no Interest accrue to the Legatee at that Time; and this has been settled in *Cloberies Case*, 2 Vent. and in *Tates versus Fettiplace*, and several other Cases in this Court.

But a Legacy to be raised out of a Real Estate, or a Term for Years shall sink in the Inheritance.

But if such Portion were to arise out of Lands, or a Term for Years, tho' it were limited to the Party generally to be paid, or payable at such an Age, there for the Benefit of the Heir the Portion should sink, and not go to the Representatives of the Party so dying.

The Master of the *Rolls* said, the Provision for Payment of Interest in the mean Time, where the Legacy was given generally at, or if, or when the Party should attain such an Age, that that should make it an Interest vested presently, was an Alteration of the Law from what it was held in *Co. Lit.* 292, when he read that Book (which was 50 Years ago) tho' the Reason of the Law as then taken, was because there was no such additional Clause to explain it.

*Mason versus Day.*

Case 243.

**E**lizabeth Mason having purchased a Lease to her and her Heirs, during three Lives, from the Archbishop of Canterbury, died, leaving Mary her Daughter and Heir, an Infant; two of the Lives being dead, and the Survivor in Years, the Guardians of the Infant out of the Profits of that Estate, take a new Lease from the Archbishop, to the Infant and her Heirs, during three other Lives, or during the Life of the surviving *Cestui que Vie*, and two others, and then the Infant dies without Issue; and the Question was, Whether this should go to the Heirs of the Part of the Father, or to the Heirs of the Part of the Mother.

A Feme Purchases a Church Lease to her and her Heirs, for three Lives, and dies, leaving an Infant Daughter, two of the Lives die; the Infant's Guardian renews the Lease, this is a new Acquisition, and shall go to the Heirs of the Part of the Father.

'Twas argued, that it should go to the Heirs of the Part of the Mother, being a renewal only of the old Lease, and under the old Trust; and if the Infant Heir had died without Issue before renewal, living the surviving *Cestui que Vie*, there had been no Question of it, and so ought this new Lease, being renewed out of the Profits of the old Lease.

But it was answered and resolved by the Master of the Rolls, that this new Lease was a new Acquisition; and vested in the Daughter as a Purchaser, and therefore should go to the Heirs of the Part of the Father, the renewal by the Archbishop being Gratuitous and Spontaneous, and they differenced this Case from a Copyhold; for there the Lord is only a Trustee for the Heir, and his Admittance of him, tho' it be Original, yet is only in Virtue of the Trust reposed in him by Law for that Purpose, and it was decreed accordingly.

*Note,* My Lord Keeper coming into Court, and being asked his Opinion in it, said, he was of the same Opinion to prevent a rehearing.



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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1711.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 244.

2 Vern. 679.

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*A.* desires *B.* to purchase an Estate for him, *B.* accordingly the 10th of *June* enters into Articles for the Purchase of an Estate, part of which was Customary Lands, and covenants to pay the Purchase Money on *Michaelmas* following, when Conveyances were to be executed, and

Possession given in *June* before. *A.* made his Will, and thereby devised all his Personal Estate to be sold, and the Money to be laid out in the Purchase of Lands to be settled on *J. S.* and devises to him likewise all his Lands of Inheritance, having no others than those agreed to be purchased, *A.* died after any Conveyance executed, but without any new Publication of his Will, the Lands pass by this Devise, and no Surrender necessary of the Customary Lands, *A.* having only an equitable Interest in them.

*Greenhill* versus *Greenhill* & al.

**T**HIS Cause came on upon an Appeal from a Decree made by my Lord Chancellor *Comper*, and the Case upon opening appeared to be this, one *Greenhill* desired Mr. *Young* to purchase an Estate for him of about 10 or 12000 *l.* Value, in such a Place, and Mr. *Young* meeting with an Estate, which he thought would answer Expectation, agreed for the Purchase of it; and thereupon by Articles dated 10th *April* 1706, between the Vendors and their Wives of the one Part, and *Young* of the other, the Vendors agree to deliver Possession at *Michaelmas* following, and to execute sufficient Conveyances thereof, and *Young* Covenants to pay the Purchase-Money at *Michaelmas*, when Possession was delivered.

In *June* afterwards, Mr. *Greenhill*, for whom this Estate was purchased, makes his Will, and thereby devises all his Personal Estate to be sold, and the Money

to be laid out in the Purchase of Lands to be settled, together with his Freehold Estate, on the Plaintiffs; and in another Part of his Will devised all his Lands of Inheritance to the Plaintiffs, and their Heirs: At Michaelmas following Possession was accordingly delivered to Young, and the Money paid, but Conveyances were not executed till about a Year after; then Greenhill dies without Publication of his Will, and the Plaintiffs brought this Bill against Young and the Heir at Law, to have Conveyances executed to them pursuant to the Devise: Some Part of the Estate was Customary, and lay in Cornwall, and by the Custom there, a Surrender to the Use of his Will was necessary to pass such Lands, tho' otherwise they passed by Lease and Release, as Lands at Common Law, and so were not Copyhold. The Defendant Young by his Answer confessed the Trust, and the Question upon this Case was, Whether this Will was sufficient to pass the Trust of these Lands, and my Lord Chancellor Comper decreed it was.

But now it was argued by Sir Joseph Jekyll and Mr. How, that this Decree ought to be reversed: They took a Distinction between an Agreement for the immediate Purchase of Lands, and such Agreement for the future Purchase thereof, as this was, they agreed, that if the Articles had been for the present Purchase of these Lands, that the Vender had been a Trustee presently for the Purchaser, and then such Devise of them had been good in Equity; but here the Possession was not to be delivered till Michaelmas following, nor was any Money to be paid before that Time, and then the Purchaser had no Power to devise them sooner, no more than a Devise of Lands which a Man should, after Purchase, would be good, as has been settled in the Case of Bunker and Cook, which was adjudged in B. R. and C. B. and afterwards affirmed upon a Writ of Error in the House of Lords; so if a Man had a Judgment or Statute against another, tho' this would bind the Lands of Freehold or Inheritance from the Time of



the Judgment given, or the Statute acknowledged; yet the Conuzee of the Judgment or Statute, has no such Interest as he can devise before Execution actually taken out.

It was likewise urged, that these Customary Lands could not pass by the Will for want of a Surrender Previous thereto.

But it was argued on the other Side by Mr. *Solicitor-General* and Mr. *Vernon*, in Support of the Decree, that these Lands were bound immediately from the Execution of the Articles; that the Possession not being to be delivered till a future Time, made no Difference in Equity; that if Mr. *Greenhill* had died before *Michaelmas*, the Equity would have descended to his Heir, and that the Heir might have brought a Bill against Mr. *Greenhill's* Executors to compel the Payment of the Purchase Money out of the Personal Estate; that in this Case the Money was bound by the Covenant, and if the Plaintiffs should not have the Lands, they would lose both Money and Lands too; for if the Money had been at Liberty, that would have passed by this Will to the Plaintiffs; but now that being bound by the Covenant, if they cannot have the Lands, they must lose both; that this Case was quite different from the Case of *Bunker and Cook*, because here the Lands were immediately bound by the Articles, and were in Equity as much the Testator's, as if he had been immediately let into Possession.

And as to the Customary Lands, no Surrender was necessary; for even in Case of Copyhold, tho' to pass the Lands themselves, a Surrender to the Use of his Will might be necessary; yet the *Cestui que Trust* could make no such Surrender, for he had no Estate in the Lands, and if Copyhold Lands were in Mortgage, yet the Mortgagor might devise the Equity of Redemption without any Surrender, for he had no Estate in them whereof to make any Surrender; and for this Point the other Side gave it up.

Lord Keeper said, he saw no Reason to vary this Decree, he thought such future Interest was devisable, as well as if it had been in Possession, and that the Lands and Money were mutually bound by the Articles, and that the Heir might have compelled the Executors to have paid this Money in Case there had been no Will, and therefore affirmed the Decree.

*Note,* It did not appear in this Case, that the Testator had any other Estate of Freehold or Inheritance, and therefore the Devise in such Manner sufficient to describe this Estate, so as to carry it by the Will.

*Gibbs versus Barnadiston.*

Case. 245.

**I**N this Case it was held clearly, and decreed, that a Devise of a Personal Estate to one and his Issue, or to one, and if he die without Issue, Remainder over to another, that the Devise over is void, and the whole Interest vested in the first Devisee, so as to be liable to his Debts; and Mr. *Vernon* said, the Reason that a Devise over of such Personal Estate upon a Life barely was good, was, because in Construction of this Court, the first Devisee had but the Use of it, and not the intire Property.

*Colesworth versus Brangwin, & al', Executors of Henry Derby.*

Case 246.

**J**. S. having a Debt of 50*l.* owing to him from the Defendant, did by his Will forgive him that Debt, and gave him 50*l.* more and some Household Goods to the Value of 100*l.* so that in all he gave him about 200*l.* and made him and the Plaintiff Executors, and died without making any Disposition of the Surplus of his Personal Estate, which was considerable.

*A.* made *B.* and *C.* Executors, and devised several Legacies to *B.* but made no Disposition of the Surplus of his Personal Estate,

And the Executors shall come in

equally for their Share of the Surplus, notwithstanding the Legacies devised to one of them; but if a Bill had been exhibited by the next of Kin, *Q.* Whether they should not both be considered as Trustees as to the Surplus.



And now the Plaintiff brought this Bill against the other Executor, for an Account of the Personal Estate, and that he might have the Surplus to himself, upon Pretence that the Testator having given the other Executor these Specifick Legacies intended him no more, and therefore, that the whole Surplus would belong to him.

For the Defendant it was insisted, that the Plaintiff was a meer Stranger, and the Defendant a near Relation of the Testator, that he gave him these Legacies only that he might in all Events be sure of some Thing, that he took these Legacies in another Capacity than Executor, and therefore they could not exclude him of his Share of the Surplus, which the Law cast upon him as Executor.

My Lord *Keeper* was clear of this Opinion, and said, it was much greater Question with him, Whether this Devise of particular Legacies to one Executor, should not exclude both from any Share of the Surplus, because both came in but in Representation of the Testator, and made but as one Person; and therefore suppose the Defendant had been made sole Executor, he made it a great Question, Whether this Legacy should not have excluded him from the Surplus; indeed the Reason urged against it is, that if no such Legacy had been given, he would have come in for the whole; and therefore his giving him a Part only, ought not to exclude him from the Residue, which without any such Devise of Part, the Law would have thrown upon him; but the Case of *Foster* and *Munt* settled this long since, and though that Case has now of late been shaken in the Case of the Dutchess of *Beaufort*, and in *Littlebury's* Case, both in the House of Peers; yet they were, because the Legacy given to the Executor was no beneficial Legacy; and so a Case of one *Atkinson* at the *Rolls*, that 10 *l.* given to an Executor for Mourning, was no beneficial Legacy, so as to exclude him from the Surplus, because Mourning was a Decency required upon  
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such an Occasion, but this Legacy here was a beneficial one.

But this not being the Point in Question, he made no Decree concerning it, but decreed the Executors should come in equally for their Share of the Surplus of the Personal Estate, notwithstanding these Specifick Legacies to one Executor.

*Note,* If the Law be as has been lately held, this seems no Contradiction to *Foster* and *Munt's* Case, which was decreed only on the Fraud in the Executor, as the Lord *Gurnsey* declared.

### *Povey* versus *Brown, Amburst & al.* Case 247.

**I**N this Case one *Selby*, Uncle to the Defendant's Wife, had by his Will given her 1000 *l.* Legacy, whilst she lived sole; afterwards, on a Treaty of Marriage with the Defendant, it was agreed by Articles, that 700 *l.* of this Legacy should be applied towards Payment of his Debts, after the Marriage the Defendant, without his Wife, assigns the remaining 300 *l.* to the Plaintiffs, who were Creditors likewise; and they brought this Bill against the Defendant and his Wife, and the Executors of *Selby*, to have a Satisfaction of their Debts out of the remaining 300 *l.* and it was decreed, that an Account should be taken, and upon the Plaintiffs proving themselves Real Creditors, and that the Assignment was *bona fide*, they were to have a Satisfaction accordingly, and the Residue, if any, of the 300 *l.* was to be put out for the Benefit of the Wife.

### *Whithill* versus *Phelps.* Case 248.

**T**HE Case upon opening appeared to be thus, one *Mary Phelps*, Widow of *Charles Phelps*, having a considerable Fortune and several Children, on Treaty

A Freeman of London in Consideration of 600 *l.* covenants, that if his Wife survived him, his

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Executors or Administrators should pay her 600 *l.* out of his Personal Estate, this is such a Composition, as will exclude her from any Part of the Customary Share.



for a second Marriage with one *John Whithill*, agreed he should only have 600 l. of her Fortune, and the Residue to be settled for her separate Use, and after her Death for the Benefit of her Children, and accordingly an Indenture was prepared and executed before Marriage, whereby she, with his Assent, assigns over her Fortune to Trustees in Trust, that she should receive the Profits of it for her own separate Use, during her Life, and after her Death, that the same should go and be divided equally amongst her Children; and *Whithill*, in Consideration of the said intended Marriage, and Marriage Portion of 600 l. makes a Settlement on her, and at the End of the Deed covenants, that if the said *Mary* should survive him, then his Executors or Administrators should pay and deliver to the said *Mary* 600 l. out of his Personal Estate: The Marriage takes Effect, *Whithill* dies without Issue in 1709, and about a Year after *Mary* makes her Will, and the Defendant her Son Executor, and dies; the Defendant likewise obtained Administration to *Whithill* the Husband; but that was afterwards revoked and granted to the Plaintiff his Mother, who brought this Bill for an Account and Distribution of the Intestate *Whithill's* Estate. The Defendant by his Answer insisted, that *Whithill* was a Freeman of *London*, and therefore on his Death the Widow was intitled to the 600 l. in the first Place, pursuant to the Marriage Agreement, and to a full Moiety of the remaining Personal Estate, as his Widow by the Custom of *London*, and to a Moiety of the remaining Moiety, by the Statute of Distributions, and now she being dead, the Defendant, as her Executor stood in her Place, and had the same Right as she herself had.

It was argued for the Plaintiff, that this 600 l. which the Husband had covenanted, should be paid her by his Executors in Case she survived, must be taken to be in Satisfaction of her Customary Part, tho' there were no Words to that Purpose; that this was a compounding for such Customary Part, and being before Marriage, by the

the Custom of the City bound her from demanding any more ; that in this Case she had waived any Right under the Custom, by making this particular Provision before Hand, and Mr. *Vernon* cited a Case of *Lee* and *Pett*, decreed by my Lord Chancellor *Comper*; where a Man and a Woman before Marriage agreed by Articles to settle 2000 *l.* each upon themselves and their Issue; and a Covenant from the intended Husband, that if the Wife survived, she should have 2000 *l.* to be at her own disposal, the Wife survived, and the Husband being a Freeman, this 2000 *l.* was decreed to be not only in Satisfaction of, or as a Composition for her Customary Part by the Custom of *London* ; but also to exclude her from any Share upon the Statute of Distributions, the Husband there dying Intestate; and that this Cause stood now in the Paper to be reheard, and though, perhaps, the Court might not go quite so far now, yet certainly it ought to exclude her from any Customary Part.

On the other Side it was endeavoured to distinguish this Case from that which was cited, that here it was only her 600 *l.* back again; that this could be no Composition for any Share she might be intitled to of her Husband's Personal Estate, for then it ought to have come out of the Husband's Personal Estate; but here it was only giving her back her own again.

My Lord *Keeper* decreed it to be in Satisfaction of her Customary Part, and took Notice, that the Deed was expressly worded in Consideration of the Marriage and Marriage Portion, so that he was absolute Master of that 600 *l.* and therefore it must be looked upon to come out of his Personal Estate ; but as to a Moiety of the other Moiety upon the Statute of Distributions, there was no Question made of it, but that the Widow would be intitled thereto, and an Account was decreed accordingly.

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where there are no Children, and therefore, that is wholly under the Direction of the Statute of Distributions; but the Custom of the Province of *York* extends to give such Moiety to the next of Kin to the Intestate.

And in the principal Case the Master of the *Rolls* was of the same Opinion, and took Notice, that the Deed was expressly mentioned to be made between the Parties, Citizens of *London*; so that the Custom of *London* might well be supposed to be in their View; and therefore this Compounding for 600 *l.* in all Events, exempted her out of the Reason of the Custom, which was to provide for those who would be otherwise left without any Provision, and here she would not Trust to any to the Customary Provision, and therefore ought to have no Benefit of it.

Case 249.

*Bell* versus Commissary *Hyde* & Ux'.

Where a Wife may be proceeded against without her Husband, he not being a Menable by the Process of the Court.

**U**PON a Motion for discharging of the Defendant's Wife, who was taken up on an Attachment for not appearing, and answering the Plaintiff's Bill, the Case appeared to be this: The Defendant's Wife being a Widow, and having a considerable Fortune, upon the Defendant's Application to her in Way of Marriage, a Settlement was made and executed, and the Marriage took Effect.

Some Time after, the Defendant being very much in Debt, was arrested, and the Creditors were going on to take out Execution, and seize his Goods; but to prevent that, the Wife gave a Note, that if they would discharge the Action (which was for 2000 *l.*) she would pay the Debt out of her own separate Estate, and accordingly the Action was discharged.

But she afterwards refusing to make good her Agreement, this Bill was brought to enforce an Execution thereof.

The Bill was brought against the Husband and Wife, and *Subpnas* taken out against both, and actually served upon the Wife at her House, but the Husband could not be found; after which, neither the Husband nor Wife appearing, an Attachment was taken out against both, and the Husband still keeping out of the Way, the Wife was taken upon the Attachment.

And she now moved to be discharged, on several Affidavits, that her Husband was actually gone to *Rotterdam* in *Holland*, before the filing of the Bill; and therefore the Process against her without her Husband was irregular, and that she ought to be discharged, and it was said, that at Law there could be no Proceeding against the Wife without her Husband, and that Equity followed the Law in this Particular.

On the other Side it was said, that the Wife was not to be considered in this Case as a Feme Covert; that she having an Estate settled on her before Marriage for her separate Use, this made her as a Feme Sole, and a separate Person from her Husband, and therefore her Agreement was binding upon her; that they had done all they could to bring in the Husband; they had made him a Party in the Bill, taken out a *Subpœna* against him and his Wife, and for not appearing they had taken out an Attachment likewise against both; that if they could not in this Case proceed against the Wife, the Justice of this Court would be eluded, and it would be very easy for any Man to settle all his Estate upon his Wife, and then get out of the Way, and so bid Defiance to his Creditors, and Sir *Joseph Jekyll* said, it was a saying of a very great Man, *boni Judicis est ampliare Jurisdictionem*, and he thought to extend the Arm of Justice further than usual, when otherwise there would be a Failure of Justice, was the Duty of every Court.

That in some Cases a Woman may sue without her Husband, and nothing was more common than for a Wife in this Court to sue, even her Husband, and therefore surely in this Case the Plaintiffs ought not to

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lose the Benefit of the Wife's Agreement, by her sending her Husband abroad, and cited a Case of *Dubois and Dowle*, to this Purpose.

But my Lord Keeper seemed to be of Opinion, that the Process in this Case without the Husband was irregular, and that they ought to stay till the Husband's Return, when they might renew the Process against both, to which it was answered, suppose the Husband never Return, must they then be totally deprived of the Benefit of this Agreement? Upon which my Lord Keeper said, he would ask the Master of the *Rolls* his Opinion, and be governed by that.

Afterwards the Master of the *Rolls* coming into Court, was clearly of Opinion, that the Process in this Case without the Husband was regular, that the Husband was joined in the Suit only for Conformity, and said, a Woman by her Marriage did not lose her Understanding or Discretion, but rather improved it by her Husband's teaching, and cited *Moor versus Hussey*, *Hob. 95*, where several Cases are cited, wherein a Feme Covert without her Husband shall be chargeable, and said, the Practice of this Court had been constantly so, upon which, the Defendant prayed Time till the first Day of next Term to put in her Answer, and on her entring her Appearance with the *Register*, and paying Costs of the Motion, it was granted, and she to be discharged out of Custody.

*Note*, Mr. *How* in this Case urged, that the Defendant ought not to be heard to move for her Discharge, because she not having appeared by her Clerk in Court, was not at all in Court, but a perfect Stranger, and therefore could not regularly make any Application by her Council, till she had brought herself into Court, by directing her Clerk to enter an Appearance for her; but of this no Notice was taken, either by the Court or Cotuncil on the other Side.

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## Termino Paschæ,

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In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Anonymous.*

Case 2501

**T**HE Plaintiff's Bill being dismissed with Costs, and Costs taxed to 160 l. a *Subpœna* was awarded against him to pay those Costs, and for not obeying it an *Attachment*, upon which *Attachment* the Sheriff of *Leicester*, to whom it was directed, took Bail, and returned a *Cepi Corpus*.

The Sheriff cannot take a Bail Bond upon an *Attachment* for not paying Costs; but in such Case a Messenger is to go to bring in the Party.

And now upon this Return, a Motion was made for a Messenger to bring in the Plaintiff, and it was urged to be the Course of the Court, that a Messenger should go in all Cases where the Sheriff takes Bail, where the Party is notailable, as in this Case he is not, and the rather, for that in this Case the Bail Bond was taken of a Member of Parliament, against whom, the Parliament being now sitting, they could have no Remedy, and one *Hawkins's* Case was cited, where in a like Case a Messenger was sent to bring in the Party, and so it was ordered in this Case.

*Edwards*



Case 251.

*Edwards versus Fashion.*

A. having a Mortgage for Years, devises, after his Debts paid, all his Personal Estate to his two Daughters, equally to be divided between them; after the Debts paid, the Daughters Purchase the Equity of Redemption and Inheritance of the mortgaged Premises to them and their Heirs, this is a Tenancy in Common, and not a Jointenancy.

THE Case was shortly this, a Man having a Mortgage for Years, makes his Will, and thereby devises all his Personal Estate, of what Nature soever, to his Executors, in Trust, for the Payment of his Debts, and afterwards devises the Residue and Overplus of his said Personal Estate to his two Daughters, equally to be divided between them, and dies.

The Debts being satisfy'd, the Daughters contract with the Mortgagor for the Purchase of the Equity of Redemption, and Inheritance of the mortgaged Premises to them and their Heirs, and Articles are executed on both Sides accordingly, and a Bill brought by the Daughters for a Specifick Execution of those Articles, and a Decree obtained for that Purpose; then one of the Daughters makes her Will, and thereby devises her Moiety, Share, and Interest in the said Premises, to the Plaintiff, who brought this Bill to be relieved against the Proceedings of the other Daughter, who claimed the whole Inheritance by Survivorship, as a Jointenancy, and had ejected the Plaintiff; and the Question was, Whether this Purchase of the Inheritance were a Jointenancy, or a Tenancy in Common.

The Master of the *Rolls* decreed it to be a Tenancy in Common, for so was the Mortgage devised to the two Daughters, whereon this Purchase of the Equity of Redemption and Inheritance was founded, and therefore they having several and distinct Interests, as Tenants in Common in the Mortgage, and paying an equal Proportion for the Purchase of the Equity of Redemption and Inheritance, should have that in the same Manner, and therefore the Devise good.

*Goodrick versus Shotbolt & al.*

Case 252.

**T**HE Case as appeared upon the Pleadings was this, *William Shotbolt* on his Marriage with *Alice*, the Daughter of one *Mr. Riston*, gave a Bond of 600 *l.* to the said *Mr. Riston*, with a Warrant of Attorney, to confess Judgment thereon, and this Judgment was defeazanced on Payment of 300 *l.* to *Alice*, in Case she survived her Husband.

*A.* on his Marriage gave a Bond of 600 *l.* with a Warrant of Attorney to confess Judgment there on Defeazance, on Payment of 300 *l.* to his Wife, if she held that this

survived; afterwards she joined with him in a Conveyance by Fine of his Real Estate; extinguished her Right, or any *Lien* created by this Judgment on the Real Estate.

Afterwards, about the Year 1706, the Plaintiff agreed with *William Shotbolt* for the Purchase of his whole Estate for 900 *l.* whereof 700 *l.* was to be paid down, and in Regard the said Estate was subject to an Annuity of 20 *l.* per Ann. during the Life of a certain Person, it was agreed, that the Plaintiff should retain the other 200 *l.* in his Hands, to indemnify himself against the said Annuity, and that after the Purchase compleated, he should convey back the Estate for a Term for Years, redeemable on his Payment of the said 200 *l.* and Interest, after the falling in of the said Annuity.

Accordingly *William Shotbolt* and *Alice* his Wife by Indenture of Lease and Release, and Fine, convey the Estate to the Plaintiff and his Heirs, and the Wife at the same Time delivered up the Bond to be cancelled.

Soon after the executing of these Deeds and Fine, in Regard *William Shotbolt* was indebted to his Brother *Battalion Shotbolt*, in the Sum of 200 *l.* and upwards, it was agreed, that for securing that Sum, the Plaintiff should Mortgage the said Estate to the said *Battalion*, redeemable on his Payment of the said 200 *l.* and Interest, and accordingly the Plaintiff executed a Lease of the Premises, wherein reciting the Annuity of 20 *l.* per Ann. and the Judgment to *Riston*; and that for indemnifying him against those two Sums, it was agreed upon his Purchase, that he should retain 200 *l.* in his Hands,

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Hands; therefore he, by the Direction of *William Shotbolt* Mortgages the Premises to *Battalion* for a Term of Years, redeemable on Payment of the said 200 *l.* and Interest.

*William* dies, and *Alice* survives him, and *Riston* the Conuzee in the Judgment being likewise dead, she takes out Administration to him, and now would extend this Judgment upon the Plaintiff's Estate. *Battalion Shotbolt*, the Mortgagee, pretended, that he only had a Title to the 200 *l.* secured by the Mortgage, and the Plaintiff brought an Ejectment, and recovered at Law, upon bringing his Money into Court, the Annuitant being dead, and he now likewise brought this Bill, that on Payment of the 200 *l.* to such of the Defendants as had a Right to receive the same, he might redeem and be let into the Possession of the Estate.

The Defendant *Alice* by her Answer insisted, that the 200 *l.* belonged to her by Virtue of her Judgment, which was prior to the Defendant *Battalion's* Mortgage, and that this 200 *l.* was all she would be able to get for the 300 *l.* that Judgment was given to secure.

The Defendant *Battalion* insisted, that the 200 *l.* belonged to him as a Creditor, by Virtue of the Mortgage, and that *Alice's* Title was extinguished by the Fine.

It was agreed on all Hands, that the Plaintiff ought to redeem on Payment of the 200 *l.* only, but whether *Alice* or *Battalion* had a Right to receive it, was the Question, and therefore this Bill was in the Nature of an interpleading Bill, that they might settle the Right between themselves, and so he not pay his Money to a wrong Hand.

For the Defendant *Alice* it was insisted, that this 300 *l.* was all the Provision she had, that it was expressly taken Notice of in the Mortgage, and the retaining of the 200 *l.* was a Security, as well against that in Case she should survive, as against the Annuity; that she surviving her Husband, and having taken out Administration to her Father the Conuzee, and the Judgment

ment being prior to the Mortgage, had now a legal Title to lay on her Judgment, and that a Court of Equity ought not to take it from her.

But for the Defendant *Barralion Shorbolt*, it was insisted, that *Alice* joining in the Fine with her Husband, this had extinguished all her Right by Virtue of the Judgment; that if she herself had been Conussee, there had been no Question of it; for tho' a Release by a Conussee of all his Right to the Land of the Conusor will not be a Bar, or prevent his taking out Execution after, yet such Right may certainly be extinguished; that as such Fine would have barred the Conussee himself, so her joining will in Equity defeat the Interest of her Trustee; that upon the Fine, she was examined and consented to part with all her Interest in the Land; and if she should be allowed by this Judgment to take back again any Right to the Land, this would be to derogate from her own Grant.

They agreed, indeed, that her joining in the Lease and Release, would not extinguish her Interest in the Judgment; but the Fine wherein she joined, carried away all her Right and Interest in the Land; that at the Levying of the Fine she delivered up the Bond, and tho' that neither would not be sufficient to bar her without the Fine, yet it was an Argument, that she relinquished her Security; that the Reason of taking Notice of the Judgment in the Mortgage was, because that was still standing out as a legal Lien upon the Land; that her Father being then dead, and she not having taken out Administration to him, it was proper for the Purchaser to secure himself, as far as he could against it; that if it had been intended the Security for 300 *l.* should have continued, the Purchaser would have retained 300 *l.* in his Hands for the Purpose, and that 200 *l.* only being retained, was an Argument, they never intended the Purchaser should be charged therewith, which was not an adequate Security for the 300 *l.*

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My Lord Keeper was clearly of this Opinion, and decreed the Plaintiff should be admitted to redeem, and should have his Costs, and that the Defendant *Battalion Shotbolt* had the Right to the 200 l. as an honest Creditor, and decreed accordingly, and that the Defendant *Alice* should procure Satisfaction to be acknowledged on the Judgment.

Case 253.

### *Bottomley versus Lord Fairfax.*

A Man before his Marriage vests the legal Estate in Trustees in Trust for him and his Heirs, Equity won't assist the Wife in recovering her Dower.

**I**N this Case it was clearly agreed, that if a Husband before Marriage conveys his Estate to Trustees and their Heirs, in such Manner, as to put the legal Estate out of him, tho' the Trust be limited to him and his Heirs, that of this Trust Estate the Wife after his Death shall not be endowed, and that this Court hath never yet gone so far as to allow her Dower in such Case.

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## Term. S. Trinitatis,

1712.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Attorney-General* versus *Thompson*.

Case 254.

**I**N this Case a Difference was taken by Mr. *How*, and agreed to by the Court, that if a Father devises Portions to his Daughters, or younger Children, to be paid or payable at their respective Ages of 21 Years, or any other Time certain, without making any Provision for their Maintenance in the mean Time, and dies, that in this Case they shall have Interest for their Portions, from his Death, 'till paid, because the Father was obliged to have provided for them, if he had lived.

Portions devised by a Father to his younger Children, payable at 21, or Marriage, shall carry Interest from his Death, 'till that Time, if he made no other Provision for them, but otherwise if devised by a Stranger, who is under no Obligation to provide for them.

But if such Portions had been devised to them by a Stranger to be paid, or payable at such an Age; in this Case their Portions should not carry Interest, in the mean Time, because he being a Stranger, was under no such Obligation to provide for them, and a Case of *Brewin* and *Brewin*, was cited to have been decreed in like Manner.

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Case 255.

*Eure versus Howard.*

**T**HIS Cause came on to be heard, by Consent, upon Bill and Answer, only for the Opinion of the Court, and upon reading of several Deeds, appeared to be this.

Where the mean Remainders determine the Estate for Life, and Reversion being in the same, Person shall Consolidate.

*Robert Howard* seised of an Estate of Inheritance, by Indenture, in 1677, covenants to levy a Fine thereof, to one *Iler* and *Broadstreet*, and their Heirs, to the Use of himself for Life, and after, to such Uses, Intents, and Purposes, as he should, by any Deed or Writing, under his Hand and Seal, executed in the Presence of two or more credible Witnesses during his natural Life, direct and appoint, and for want of such Direction and Appointment in Trust for him and his Heirs, and a Fine was levy'd accordingly.

Afterwards the said *Robert Howard* intermarrying with one *Winifred*, with whom he had Issue *Robert* his Son, and the said *Robert* the Father being seised in Right of *Winifred* his Wife of other Lands of Inheritance, they by Indentures of Lease and Release, in 1690, and Fine duly levy'd thereupon, grant and convey these Lands to Trustees and their Heirs, to the Use of *Robert* the Father, during his Life, and after to *Winifred* during her Life, Remainder to the Use of *Robert* the Son, and the Heirs Male of his Body issuing, Remainder to the Use of the Right Heirs of the Survivor of them, the said *Robert* the Father, and *Winifred* his Wife, for ever.

Afterwards upon the Marriage of *Robert* the Son with *Mary-Anne* his Wife, one of the Defendants, by Indentures of Lease and Release, 9 and 10 July 1698, between *Robert Howard* the Father, and *Winifred* his Wife, and *Robert* their Son of the first Part, *Anne Broadstreet*, Daughter and Heir of *Broadstreet* the surviving Trustee in the Deed of 1677, of the second Part, *Mary-Anne Wolf* of the third Part, and others of the fourth and fifth Part, in Consideration of a Marriage intended be-

tween *Robert* the Son, and *Mary-Anne Wolf*, and of 4000 *l.* Portion, and other Considerations, *Robert* the Father, and *Winifred* his Wife, and *Robert* their Son, grant Release, and convey several Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments therein particularly mentioned, (being as well those whereof *Robert* the Father was at first seised in Right of *Winifred* his Wife, as others, whereof he was sole seised) in Fee to Trustees and their Heirs, to the Uses following, viz. as to part to the Use of *Robert* the Father for 99 Years, if he should so long live, Remainder to Trustees and their Heirs, during his Life to support Contingent Remainders, Remainder to the Use of *Winifred* for Life, Remainder to *Robert* the Son for 99 Years, if he should so long live, Remainder to Trustees during his Life, to support Contingent Remainders; and as to the other Part, to the Use of *Robert* the Father, and *Winifred* his Wife, for their Lives, and the Life of the longer Liver of them, Remainder to *Robert* the Son for 99 Years, if he should so long live, Remainder to Trustees and their Heirs, during his Life, to support Contingent Remainders, Remainder as to other Part to *Robert* the Son in Possession for 99 Years, if he should so long live, Remainder to Trustees during his Life, to support Contingent Remainders; Remainder to *Mary-Anne* for her Life, for her Jointure, Remainder of the whole; and as the several Estates before limited should respectively determine to the first Son of *Robert* the Son, on the Body of *Mary-Anne* to be begotten, and of the Heirs Male of the Body of such first Son lawfully issuing, and so to the second, and other Sons in like Manner, Remainder to the Heirs Male of *Robert* the Son, Remainder to the Right Heirs of *Robert* the Father, for ever.

*Robert* the Father covenants, that he and *Winifred* his Wife would levy a Fine of all the said Lands to the Uses before-mentioned; and by the same Indenture, *Anne Broadstreet*, by the Direction of *Robert* the Father, grants Releases and conveys, and he ratifies and confirms all the Lands by the Deed of 1677, limited to

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*Ille* and *Broadstreet*, and their Heirs, to the Use of *Robert* the Father, for 99 Years, if he should so long live, Remainder to Trustees during his Life, to support Contingent Remainders, with other Remainders over, Remainder to the Right Heirs of *Robert* the Father, for ever, a Fine was accordingly levy'd, and the Marriage took Effect, and they had Issue *William* a Son, and *Winifred* a Daughter, then *Winifred* the Mother dies, and afterwards *Robert* the Son dies without other Issue.

*Robert* the Father the 15th of *January* 1706, makes his Will, and thereby devises all his Manors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, in Possession, Reversion, Remainder, or in Expectancy, whatsoever, to *Charles Baggot* and *Richard Baggot*, and others, and their Heirs in Trust, by Sale or Mortgage, to raise so much as would be sufficient to pay his Debts, and the Legacies thereby given, and gives several Legacies to the Amount of 3000 *l.* and upwards, and makes *Mary* his then Wife Executrix, and dies considerably indebted.

Some Time after his Death, *William* the Grandson dies without Issue, and now this Bill was brought by the Creditors and Legatees of *Robert* the Grandfather, against *Mary* his Executrix, *Mary-Anne Howard* and *Winifred* her Daughter, *Charles* and *Richard Baggot*, and others, to have a Satisfaction of their Debts and Legacies, pursuant to the Will of old *Robert*.

The Defendant *Mary-Anne Howard* sets out the Indentures of the 9th and 10th of *July* 1698, and insists in Behalf of *Winifred* her Daughter, that the Remainder of all that was thereby limited to *Robert* the Father for 99 Years, with Remainder to his Right Heirs, vested in *Winifred* her Daughter, as Heir to *William* her Brother, as a Contingent Remainder by Purchase, and so not subject to *Robert* the Father's Disposal by Will; and whether they were, or how many, and which of them were so subject, was the only Question.

*First*, As to the Lands limited to *Robert* the Father for Life, with the last Remainder thereof to his own Right Heirs, there was little or no Question made of it; but that it was the old Reversion in Fee in him, and consequently liable to be disposed of, as he thought fit; but as to the other limited to him for 99 Years only, with such Remainder to his Right Heirs; there was very solemn Arguments how far he had a Power over it, and this was divided into three Points.

*1<sup>st</sup>*, Whether of those Lands not comprised in the Deed of 1677, and whereof he was seised in Fee in Possession, at the Time of the Marriage Settlement upon his Son, Remainder to his Right Heirs, should be looked upon as his old Reversion, and so under his Power of devising.

*2<sup>dly</sup>*, Whether of the Lands comprised in that Deed of 1677, the Remainder to his own Right Heirs, should be looked upon to be void, and the old Reversion vested in himself, and so pass by his Will.

*3<sup>dly</sup>*, Whether the Remainder to the Right Heirs of the Survivor of the said *Robert* and *Winifred* his Wife, of her Inheritance, limited by the Deed of 1690, were so barred or destroy'd by the Deeds of Lease and Release of 9 and 10 July 1698, and the Fine thereupon levied by *Robert* the Father, and *Winifred* his Wife, as to be capable of being settled to the Uses therein limited; and if so, Whether the Remainder to the Right Heirs of *Robert* the Father, was so vested in him, as to be subject to his Will.

As to the first Point, it was argued by the *Attorney* and *Solicitor-General*, and *Mr. Lechmere*, that this Remainder to the Right Heirs of *Robert* the Father, was a Contingent Remainder, and vested in his Right Heir by Purchase, and was not Part of the old Use resulting to himself, and consequently not liable to his Disposition by Will, and therefore the *Solicitor-General* said, this Case differed intirely from the Cases of *Fenwick* and *Mitford*, and *Pibus* and *Mitford*, for in those Cases there

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was no Disposition at all made of the old Use during his Life; and therefore it still continued in him, and then the Remainder to his own Right Heirs, knit and consolidated with that old Use, which he had not disposed of for his Life, and consequently his Right Heirs could not be Purchasers; and the Reason they construed the old Use to continue in him for Life, was, because it might happen, that all the Estates might determine during his Life, and then there would be no Person to take the Freehold whilst he lived, because he could have no Heirs 'till after his Death; and since it might happen that all the Estates might determine, and he made no Disposition of the Use during his Life, therefore the Use during his Life continued in him; and that upon Determination of the Intermediate Estates being united and conjoined with the Remainder to his Right Heirs, made it one consolidated Fee in himself, and by Consequence his Heirs must take by Descent, and not by Purchase; but where the intire Use was expressly limited out of him, during his Life; so that by no Possibility the intermediate Estate can determine during his Life, there the Remainder to his Right Heirs is a good Remainder, and they shall take by Purchase, and not by Descent; and he said, this Difference was taken and agreed to by the Court in the Case of *Tippin and Coson*, 4 Mod. 380, in which Case the Cases of *Fenwick* and *Mitford*, and *Pibbs* and *Mitford* were all cited; and here in the principal Case he has limited the Use during his Life to Trustees, to support Contingent Remainders, and so has disposed of the old Use during his Life; and consequently there can be no old Use remaining in him to unite with the Remainder limited to his Right Heirs, and then they shall take this Remainder as Heirs by Purchase; and Mr. *Lechmere* said, he having limited such Estate to Trustees during his Life, to support Contingent Remainders, the Law shall never against his own express Limitation bring back the Use to him again during his Life, for then it must take it out of the Trustees,

Trustees, to whom he has by exprefs Limitation given it during his Life; and so having left no Use in himself during his Life, he has no Estate of Freehold to unite and consolidate with the Remainder to his own Right Heirs, and consequently they cannot take by Descent from him, but must take as Purchasors, and then he had no Power to subject this Remainder to Debts or Legacies by Will.

As to the second Point, Whether the Remainder to his own Right Heirs of the Lands comprised in the Deed of 1577, was a void Remainder, and vested in himself as Part of the old Use, this they said was a much stronger Point; for besides that, the Limitation to himself is but for 99 Years, as the former Limitations were, the legal Estate of this Part of the Lands was standing out in the Trustee, and then there can be no Pretence of any resulting Use to him for his Life, for nothing moved from him, the whole Estate being in the Trustee, and passed from him to the several Uses; and therefore he being a Stranger, might well limit the Remainder to the Right Heirs of old Robert, so as to make them capable of taking by Purchase, since there could be no Use remaining in him after the Settlement, when he had none before.

It was likewise urged strongly, that for another Reason the Right Heirs must be Purchasors of this Part of the Estate; for by the Deed of 1677, the Use was limited to him but for Life only; and after his Death, to such Uses, Intents, and Purposes, as he should direct or appoint; and for want of such Appointment, to his own Right Heirs; so that he had Time during his whole Life to make such Appointment, and consequently the Estate in the mean Time must be lodged in the Trustees to supply such Appointment; and then he having only an Estate for Life in those Lands, could not make good any of the Limitations in the Settlement of 1698, beyond his own Life; for suppose he should afterwards have made an Appointment pursuant to his Power, this must



must have taken Place of the Settlement, and defeated all those Uses, as to this part of the Land, because he had Power during his whole Life, to make that Appointment, and consequently during his whole Life the Estate must continue in the Trustees, to answer and supply that Power, and so 10 Co. 85, express in Point.

They urged further, that this very Settlement of 1698, was an actual Appointment in Pursuance of his Power, for the Heir of the surviving Trustee was a Party to it, and joins in the conveying those very Lands; and, 'tis said, to be by the Direction and Appointment of *Robert Howard* the Father, who had such Power of appointing; and therefore it can be taken to be no other than an Appointment in Pursuance of his Power; and then the Estate lodging in the Trustees, to supply and answer such Appointment, when he limits the last Remainder to his own Right Heirs, they must take by Virtue of the Appointment, and consequently must take as Purchasers, because the Estate was lodged in Trustees to answer such Appointment, and the Father had nothing but the bare Power of appointing the Uses, and so can never derive an Estate by Descent to his Heirs, when he had no Fee nor legal Estate in himself; but a bare Power of appointing the Uses, which must after draw out the Possession from the Trustees according to those Uses.

As to the third Point, it was argued, that the Remainder of *Winifred's* Inheritance limited to the Right Heirs of her and *Robert* her Husband, was a Contingent Remainder; and *Robert* the Father being the Survivor, the same vested in his Right Heirs by Purchase, and consequently not subject to his Disposition by Will; and they insisted, that the Fine levy'd by *Robert* the Father and *Winifred* his Wife, in 1698, had not barred or destroy'd this Contingent Remainder, because of the intermediate Estate Tail to *Robert* the Son, which was sufficient to preserve it; and then the Fine inured only as a Grant

Grant of what they might lawfully Grant, and did not any Ways touch or affect this Remainder.

On the other Side, it was argued by Sir *Thomas Powis*, Serjeant *Pratt*, and Sir *Peter King*, as to the first Point, that this was within the Reason of the Cases of *Fenwick* and *Mitford*, and *Pibus* and *Mitford*, and that here was a resulting Use to him during his Life, because it might happen, that all intermediate Estates might determine before his Death; for suppose the Trustees during his Life, to support the Contingent Remainders, should forfeit their Estate, and all the other Estates, determine, what then would become of the Freehold during his Life, for his Heirs could not have it; and therefore he himself must have it, as part of the old Use undisposed of, which being conjoined with the last Limitation to his Right Heirs, will make an entire Fee in himself, and consequently his Right Heirs cannot be Purchasers; no more than if he had made no Limitation at all of the Fee.

As to the second Point, it was argued, 1<sup>st</sup>, That the last Limitation in the Deed of 1677, being to the Trustees and their Heirs, in Trust for *Robert* and his Heirs, was executed to him in Possession, as absolutely as if it had been said to the Use of him and his Heirs; for the Statute makes no Difference between an Use and a Trust, but mentions them both promiscuously, and this, upon reading the Deeds, seemed to be given up as a clear Point.

2<sup>dly</sup>, Admitting it should not be so, but that the legal Estate continued in the Trustee; yet in a Court of Equity it must be looked upon, as if he himself had been in actual Possession, and made such Settlement; for that a Trust in this Court was guided by the same Rules, and capable of the same Limitations as the Possession was at Law, and no Manner of Difference betwixt them.

3<sup>dly</sup>, That 'till an Appointment made, it was to the Use of him and his Heirs, and an Appointment was

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always wanting 'till it was made, and then he had good Power to dispose of and settle the Remainder of those Lands to the Uses in the Marriage Settlement, because there was no Appointment thereof before, and consequently nothing to hinder him from disposing thereof, as he thought fit.

4thly, Admitting this Settlement of 1698 should be construed to be an Appointment pursuant to his Power; yet it was only a partial one, and made no Disposition of the whole Use during his Life; for if the Trustees to support Contingent Remainders should forfeit their Estate, or have joined with those in Remainder in conveying their Estate, and then all the intermediate Estates had determined, here would have remained an indisposed Use during his Life; for of that he has made no Appointment, and then that being united with the last Limitation to his Right Heirs, makes an intire Fee in himself, and consequently his Heirs must have taken it by Descent, and not by Purchase, and then he had good Power over it, and the Disposition by his Will must stand.

As to the third Point, it was argued, that this Fine by the Husband and Wife in 1698, destroy'd or gave away the Remainder to the Right Heirs of the Survivor of them, because they both joined in it; and in *Albany's Case*, 1 Co. it is said, that a Feoffment destroys all Rights, all Titles, all Possibilities, both present and future; and if a Feoffment has that Force, much more has a Fine, which is of so much a higher Nature.

2dly, That this Fine estops the Heir to claim this Estate against the Fine of his Ancestor, he cannot say, *Partes Finis*, &c. but is thereby totally barred and estopped from claiming it.

3dly, That this was no Contingent Remainder, or if it was, yet *Robert* the Husband surviving, the Contingency was then at an End, and his Heirs must take it; but he having an Estate for Life therein, they could only take it by Descent, for then the whole Fee was vested

in him, and consequently he had good Power to subject it by his Will to the Payment of his Debts and Legacies.

My Lord Keeper after all, ordered a Case to be stated upon these several Points out of the Deeds, and then he would consider of them, and give his Opinion, and if it were necessary would desire the Assistance of some of the Judges in it; but he inclined strongly, that old Robert had Power to subject all these Lands by Will, as his old Reversion undisposed of, and at last said, they might argue to the contrary from Sun rising to Sun setting, they would not change his Opinion.



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## Termino S. Mich.

1712.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 256.

*King versus Withers.*

A. devises his Real Estate to his Son, charged with his Debts and Legacies, and devises 2500 l. to his Daughter, at the Age of 21, or Marriage, provided, that if she should marry in the Life Time of her Mother, without her consent in Writing, then 500 l. to cease, and be applied towards Payment of the Debts. The Daughter attains 21, and marries without her Mother's Consent, the whole Portion shall be raised, for it was vested in her at the Time of the Marriage.

**T**HIS Cause came to be heard by Consent, and upon opening the Case, appeared to be this: The Defendant's Father, by his Will in Writing, duly attested, devised to the Defendant (who was his Heir at Law) and to his Heirs, all his Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments in the County *Berks* (except such and such Parts thereof) charged and chargeable with the Sum of 2500 l. to his Daughter (since married to the Plaintiff) at her Age of 21 Years, or Marriage, which should first happen, and devised the excepted Lands in Trust, to be sold for the Payment of his Debts, provided if his said Daughter should marry in the Life Time of her Mother, without her Consent first had in Writing, then 500 l. Part of the said 2500 l. should cease, and should be applied towards Payment of his Debts charged on the said excepted Lands; and appoints his Wife to be Guardian of his Daughter, and makes her Executrix and dies.

The Daughter attains her Age of 21 Years, and afterwards, without the Consent or Privity of her Mother, intermarries

intetmarries with the Plaintiff, who was a Gentleman of some Estate, and called to the Bar, but had made no Settlement or Provision for his Wife; and therefore the Defendant the Heir at Law refused to raise or pay any Part of his Sister's Portion, and insisted likewise, that by her Marriage, without her Mother's Consent, 500 *l.* part of her Portion was become forfeited; whereupon the Plaintiffs brought this Bill to have the whole Portion raised and paid by a Sale of the Lands charged therewith.

For the Plaintiffs, it was insisted, that upon the Daughter's attaining her Age of 21 Years, the whole Portion became vested in her, and that she might then have demanded it; and though she afterwards married without her Mother's Consent, yet that could not divest or bring back the Portion, which was before vested and settled as an Interest in her; for that Consent in all Reason could be carried no farther than during her Minority, or until she attained the Age of 21 Years, during which Time she was appointed to be under the Tuition and Guardianship of her Mother; and therefore so long it might be reasonable to restrain her from marrying without her Mother's Consent, but not after; and tho' the Words are, if she marries without her Mother's Consent, during her Life; yet that must be taken only, if her Mother be living during the Time such Consent was requisite, that is, during her Minority, for which Time she was to be under her Mother's Guardianship; but upon her attaining her Age of 21 Years, the Power of the Mother as Guardian ceased, and consequently it was never intended to confine her beyond that Time to her Mother's Consent in Marriage.

That here was no Devise of the 500 *l.* over, and therefore it must be taken to be only *in Terrorem*, according to the Resolution in *Fry and Porters*, 1 *Vent.* and consequently the Plaintiffs ought to have the whole Portion raised by Sale of the Lands charged therewith, unless the Defendant should otherwise provide for the Payment thereof.

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On the other Side it was urged for the Defendant, that *Cujus est dare, ejus est disponere*, that a Man may impose what Terms and Conditions he thinks fit in the disposal of his Estate, that here he has expressly made the Mother's Consent requisite during her Life; and to say, that the whole Portion vested in the Daughter upon her attaining her Age of 21 Years, is nothing to the Purpose; for tho' it did, yet, without Question, the Condition may bring it back again, as if a Feoffment in Fee be made upon Condition, here the Estate is vested; yet the breach of the Condition will fetch it back again out of the Feoffee; and when the Devisor has, in express Words, restrained her from marrying, without her Mother's Consent, during her Life, you won't surely reject this Condition, and give her the whole Portion, without any Regard to her observing the Terms of it; besides, here is a Devise over; for upon her Marriage without her Mother's Consent, the 500 *l.* is to go towards Payment of Debts, in Case of the other Part of the Testator's Estate made liable thereto; and tho' there were no such Devise over, yet the 500 *l.* is forfeited by her Violation of the Condition annexed to it; and so it was held in the Case of *Bennet* and Lord *Salisbury*.

Lord *Keeper*. This Portion did not vest in the Daughter presently, for it is not given to her generally to be paid, or payable at such a Time; but 'tis given to her, at her Age of 21 Years, or Marriage; so that before that Time, no Interest or Right to it vested in her; but here she has attained the Age of 21 Years; this is not a Personal Legacy, but is to be raised out of Lands, and therefore must have the same Consideration as a Devise of the Lands would have. And I think the Rule, that where there is no Devise over, that the Condition shall be taken only *in Terrorem*, is a great deal too wide, for here in Effect is no Devise over; for tho' it be to go towards Payment of Debts, yet here appears to be no Creditors concerned, none that are in Danger of losing their Debts; and therefore I shall consider it

as it stands, upon the Condition itself; and I think in this Case the Plaintiff must have her whole Portion, for the Testator has appointed two Times, Marriage, or 21 Years, to entitle her to it, and which soever of them first happened, gave her a Right to demand it; and here she has attained her Age of 21, and that singly gives her a Title to it; indeed, if she had married before that Age, she must have had her Mother's Consent, otherwise she was to lose 500 *l.* but when she attains that Age, and marries after, her Title to the whole, which was compleat by her attaining that Age, is not to be impeached after, by her Marriage without her Mother's Consent; for, as her Marriage with her Mother's Consent, was one Title, so her attaining her Age of 21 Years, was another, and which soever of them first happens, entitles her to her whole Portion; and she having attained the Age of 21 Years first, her Title to the Portion rests wholly upon that; and therefore there must be a Decree for Sale of so much Lands, as will be necessary for that Purpose, unless the Defendant will otherwise secure the Payment of it; but the Money when raised must be brought before the Master, 'till the Plaintiff shall have made some Settlement upon his Wife, for which Purpose, he is likewise to bring his Title Deeds before the Master, to see what Provision he can make for her.

*Kitson versus Kitson & al.*

Case 257.

**F***Rancis Kitson*, Coachmaker, being a Citizen and Freeman of *London*, and seised of a good Real Estate, and also possessed of, and intitled to a considerable Personal Estate, makes his Will the 20th of *Sept.* 1711, and thereby devises to his Wife, *Anne Kitson*, the Plaintiff, for her Life, all his Lands, Tenements, and Estate whatsoever, at *Ingvile-Green* in the County of *Surry*; and after her Death, he devises the same to his Nephew *Edward Kitson* of *Henley*, and his Heirs for ever, and after several Legacies and Bequests, he goes on, *Item*, As to

The Wife of a Freeman of *London* shall not take by her Husband's Will, and likewise by the Custom, unless it be so declared in the Will.



to the House wherein I now dwell, together with all my Stock of Timber, and other Stock, Goods, Chattels, Debts, and Personal Estate whatsoever, and wheresoever, I give and devise to my said Wife *Anne Kitson*, for her Life, with Power for her to dispose of 500*l.* Part thereof, at her Death; and after her Death, I give and devise all my said Stock, Goods, Chattels, and Personal Estate, except the said 500*l.* to and amongst my Sister *Elizabeth Kitson*, *Elizabeth Thorp*, and several others of the Defendants; he likewise gives to his Wife for her Life all his five Houses in *Hedge-Lane*; and after her Death he gives the same to his said Nephew *Edward Kitson*, his Executors and Administrators; and makes his said Wife and Mr. *Robins* Executors, and dies.

Mr. *Robins* alone proves the Will, and the Widow brought this Bill against him, and also against the said *Edward Kitson*, *Elizabeth Kitson*, and the rest of the Residuary Legatees, and also against one *Edward Kitson*, who was Heir at Law to the Testator, to establish the Will, and to have the Lands and Estate of *Ingvile-Green* quieted to her for Life, and likewise the five Houses in *Hedge-Lane*, and likewise to have one Moiety of the Personal Estate, and her Widows Chamber, as her own for ever, by Virtue of the Custom of *London*, as a Freeman's Widow, there being no Children, and to have the other Moiety of the Personal Estate for Life, by Virtue of the Will, and the Power of disposing of 500*l.* thereout at her Death.

The Defendant *Robins* answered, and submitted to do as the Court should direct.

The other Defendants likewise answered and insisted, that the Plaintiff ought to make her Election to take either by the Custom of *London*, or by Will, and not by both, and brought a Cross Bill for that Purpose, and to have an Account; and as to *Edward Kitson*, the Bill was, that in Case the Widow should elect to take by the Custom, that he might be let into the immediate Possession of the Estate at *Ingvile-Green*, and the five Houses

in *Hedge-Lane*; and that, as to the rest, in Case of such Election, they might have a Moiety of the Personal Estate forthwith.

For the Widow it was insisted, that as to the Estate of Inheritance at *Inguille-Green*, she had brought the Heir at Law before the Court to establish the Will against him, and also against the Devisee in Remainder, and that there could be no Colour to take away her Estate for Life in that Part of the Estate, being expressly and specifically devised to her for Life, and the Devise thereof collateral and independent of the Devise of the Personal Estate.

As to the Personal Estate, it was insisted, that the Testator must be supposed to know, that he was a Freeman, and that as such he had no Power at all over a Moiety thereof; but that by his Death the same vested in his Widow as her own for ever, and consequently when he devised all his Personal Estate, that could be intended no more than he had a Power over, which was his own Moiety; for as to the other Moiety, it was none of his to dispose of, nor could he by his Will make better or worse his Wife's Title thereto; therefore his Devise of all his Personal Estate must be meant, all he had a Power over, all he could give, not what the Custom of *London* had already given her; and consequently she must take her own Moiety by the Custom, and the other by his Will.

On the other Side it was argued, that the Plaintiff was very unreasonable in her Demands, that in this Court, wherever a Person had a Debt owing to him, and the Debtor by his Will gave any Thing which was equivalent to, or more than the Debt, it had always been allowed to go in Discharge and Satisfaction of the Debt, much more in this Case of the Customary Part, which was in the Nature of a Debt, or Demand out of the Testator's Personal Estate; and therefore when he gives her all his Personal Estate for Life, it must be supposed he intended it in Satisfaction of her Moiety thereof due

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by the Custom of *London*; that 'tis plain in this Case, that he intended her the Power of disposing of 500 *l.* only of his Personal Estate, and no more, for he not only gives her no more to dispose of at her Death; but when he comes to dispose of the Residue, takes it up again, and says, all the rest of my Personal Estate, except the said 500 *l.* I give and devise to the Defendants, so that it is plain he intended she should have Power to diminish or lessen his Personal Estate, no more than that 500 *l.* only.

And tho' this Devise could not debar or exclude her of her Customary Part, if she thinks fit to elect it, yet she ought not to take both; and of this there can be no Doubt, since the Case of *Heron* and *Heron*, where Sir *Jos. Heron* had canton'd out his Real and Personal Estate amongst his Wife and Children; and after his Death, my Lady *Heron* would have had, not only what was so given her by her Husband, but also her Customary Part as a Freeman's Widow; but was decreed by my Lord Chancellor *Cowper* to make her Election, and that she ought not to claim both; there was likewise a Case cited between *Lawrence* and *Lawrence* to the same Effect.

My Lord *Keeper* was clearly of this Opinion, and pronounced his Decree accordingly; but held, that as to the Estate on *Ingvile-Green*, that had no Dependence upon, or Relation to the Devise of the Personal Estate; but that notwithstanding she made her Election (as she did in Court, to take by the Custom) yet that the Devise of that Estate to her continued good for Life; tho' it was urged by Mr. *Vernon* and *How*, that upon her electing to take by the Custom, she ought to have no Benefit at all of the Will; but that *Edward Kitson* the Devisee in Remainder ought to be let into the Possession of that Estate immediately.

But his Lordship held otherwise; and as to the five Houses in *Hedge-Lane*, they being Leasehold, were decreed to come in with the rest of the Personal Estate, and to be sold, and the Money to be divided accordingly;

dingly ; but as to them the Court seems not to have apprehended the Case rightly ; for they being expressly given the Widow for Life, and after her Death to *Edward Kitson*, together with the Estate at *Ingvile-Green*, they ought, as it seems, to have gone accordingly ; for by the Decree for Sale of them, the Remainder to *Edward Kitson* is destroy'd, which surely the Court never intended, whatever they thought fit to do as to the Widow's Estate for Life therein ; and if the Estate for Life to the Widow, of the Lands of Inheritance, were good, it seems so must the Devise of those Houses too, being expressly devised to her before he came to the *Residuum*, otherwise there is an Injury done to *Edward Kitson's* Remainder therein ; but this was not taken Notice of, or explained to the Court.

There was another Point in this Case, which was this, *Francis Kitson* about three Years ago purchased the Remainder of a Term for 1000 Years in an Estate at *Egham*, of one *Booth*, which *Booth* had a Decree of Foreclosure, against one *Jane Reading*, the Heir at Law, that upon Payment of 20 *l.* to be put out by the Senior Master of the Court of Chancery, the said *Jane Reading* should within six Months after she came of Age, release and convey the Inheritance, and Equity of Redemption to *Booth*, his Heirs and Assigns, unless Cause within six Months after she came of Age ; this Term was assigned to the Defendant *Robins*, in Trust for Mr. *Kitson*, to attend the Inheritance when it should be convey'd ; but the 20 *l.* was never paid, and no Conveyance as yet made of the Inheritance ; and whether this should be looked upon as Real or Personal Estate, was submitted to the Court, and held, that by Reason of the Decree, and a Covenant from *Booth* for that Purpose, it must be deemed to be an Estate of Inheritance, and the Widow must have it for Life ; and she to pay one third Part of the 20 *l.* and *Edward Kitson* the Devisee in Remainder, two Thirds, with Interest proportionably, from the Time it ought to have been paid, *Booth* being become Insolvent.

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Afterwards, on a Rehearing before Lord Chancellor Parker, the Houses in *Hedge-Lane* were decreed to *Edward Kitson* after the Widows Death, and her Representatives to be recompenced out of the Personal Estate of the Residuary Legatees, that is, as she renounced the Will, *Edward Kitson* was let into the Possession of these five Houses immediately, and the Widow was to have a Moiety of the Value thereof out of the Moiety of the Testator's other Personal Estate, which belonged to his Residuary Legatees immediately by the Wife's removing the Will and claiming by the Custom.

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# DE Termino Paschæ,

1713.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

### *Greenhill* versus *Waldoe*.

Case 258.

**I**N this Case upon a Marriage Settlement after the common Limitations to the first and other Sons, a Term was limited to Trustees for 300 Years, in Trust, upon Failure of Issue Male, to raise with all convenient Speed, out of the Rents and Profits, or by Mortgage or Sale, 3000 *l.* for Daughters Portions, if more than one, to be equally divided between them; and if only one, she to have the whole 3000 *l.* and to be paid to such Daughter or Daughters, at their respective Ages of 18 Years, or Days of Marriage, which should first happen, after the Death of the Father or Mother; they have Issue two Daughters only, and no Son, and the Father by his Will taking Notice of this Provision for his Daughters, devises to them 500 *l.* apiece more, to be paid at the same Time as their original Portions were payable; but in Case either of them died before the Age of 18 Years, then the additional Portions of 500 *l.* apiece to both was to cease: The Father and Mother

By a Marriage Settlement, a Term was limited to Trustees for raising on Failure of Issue Male 3000 *l.* for Daughters Portions, payable at 18, or Marriage. The Father and Mother die, leaving Issue two Daughters only, who at the Death of the Father (who survived the Mother) were 15 or 16 Years of Age, and who had, by the Father's Will 500 *l.* apiece devised to them payable at the same Time, both

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with their Original Portions; but the Estate was devised to J. S. one of the Daughters, being married, and being of the Age of 20: Held on her Bill, that she must have Maintenance from the Time of her Father's Death, till the Portion became due, and from thence Interest at 5 *per Cens.* till paid.



both die, the Daughters being then about 15 or 16 Years of Age, the Plaintiff Intermarries with one of them, and she being now about 20 Years of Age, this Bill was brought against the Defendant, Brother and Devisee of the Estate charged with these Portions, and against the Trustee of the Term, to have the Portion raised, and Interest from the Death of the Father.

It was insisted, that this was but reasonable, in regard the Father and Mother dying before the Portion became payable, there was Maintenance provided for them in the mean Time, and it might have happened, that the Daughters might have been but two or three Years of Age at the Death of their Father and Mother; and if this Court in such Case would not help them to a Maintenance, 'till their Portions became payable, they must Starve; that they were Heirs at Law, and disinherited; and therefore, if by any Construction they can be helped, this Court would do it; that here the Portions are directed to be raised with all convenient Speed; and if they had been raised presently after the Father and Mother's Death, the Brother and Devisee could not complain, for his Estate was liable to the raising of them presently, then when the Portions are raised, who is to have the Interest, for they have nothing to do with it in their own Right; nor the Brother and Devisee, for he has the Estate, and no wrong is done to him; and therefore surely in such Case the Daughters themselves would be entitled to it; so in this Case, tho' they are now above 18 Years of Age, yet they ought to have Interest from the Time their Portions became raisable.

On the other Side it was insisted, that here was no Direction for Interest or Maintenance till their Portions became payable; that this was the Agreement of the Parties at the Time of the Settlement, and could not be broke into; that if there had been no Portions at all provided for them, they might have had Reason to complain, but could not have been relieved; that in this Case, their Portions did not vest 'till 18, or Marriage, there

there being a Clause, that if either died before that Time, the Survivor was to have her Share; and if both died before that Time, the whole Portion was to sink in the Inheritance; that it being contingent, whether both or either of the Portions would become payable, neither could rest till the Contingency happened as to both, that these Additional Portions of 500 l. apiece by his Will were in lieu of Maintenance, and the Estate ought not to be further charged.

But my Lord Chancellor was of Opinion, that they ought to have either Interest or Maintenance from their Father's Death (he being the Survivor) and thought it much the same, whether it were called Interest or Maintenance; that the Father never intended they should Starve 'till their Portions became payable, and therefore sent it to a Master to see what was reasonable for their Maintenance from the Time of their Father's Death, and decreed the original Portions to be raised by Sale, &c. with Interest at 5 l. per Cent. from their respective Ages of 18 Years, unless the Brother should by Payment prevent such Sale, and would allow but 5 l. per Cent. being charged on Land, tho' it was pressed to have 6 l. per Cent.



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## Term. S. Trinitatis,

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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 259.

*Loeffes* versus *Lewen* & al'.

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**I**N this Case the Question was, Whether the Plain-  
tiffs, who were Creditors of one *Eyton*, should have  
the Benefit of a Bond for Payment of 1500 *l.* entred  
into by one *Bayly* to *Eyton*, or if the said Bond should  
be looked upon to be voluntary and fraudulent, as  
against the Creditors of *Bayly*, who were Defendants;  
and they to be accordingly first satisfy'd out of *Bayly's*  
Assets, they being Creditors only by simple Contract,  
and as to that, the Case appeared to be thus.

One *Mason* a Vintner, and Freeman of *London*, made  
his Will about 24 Years since, and thereby devised one  
third Part of his Personal Estate to *Letitia* his Wife, and  
the other two Thirds to his Children, and died, leaving  
only two Daughters, *Letitia* and another, who after-  
wards died Intestate and unmarried. *Letitia* the Widow  
afterwards intermarried with *Bayly*, who was a Vintner  
likewise; and the Widow, as well before Marriage, as  
she and her Husband after Marriage continued to em-  
ploy the whole Stock left by *Mason* in carrying on of  
their Trade, without making any Distribution or Division  
to the Children.

Some Time after, upon a Treaty of Marriage to be had between *Letitia* the Daughter and *Eyton* (the other Daughter being then dead) a Computation was made of what Fortune would be coming to *Letitia* the Daughter, and the same appearing to be short of what *Eyton* expected, *Bayly* agreed to make up her Fortune the Sum of 4000 *l.* but there was no Writing or Memorandum of it under Hand; but *Bayly* did afterwards pay all but 1500 *l.* of the Fortune agreed on.

About four Years after the Marriage, *Bayly* makes his Will, and at the same Time prepares a Bond to *Eyton* of 3000 *l.* conditioned for the Payment of 1500 *l.* to him at such a Time; and then sends for *Eyton*, and his Wife shows them the Bond and Will, whereby he had likewise given them a Legacy, but never delivers the Bond to *Eyton*, or his Wife, but kept it in his own Custody; and *Bayly* some Time after dying suddenly, this Bond was delivered over to one *Owen*, who was a Defendant, to be kept by him as an indifferent Person, 'till it should appear how Things were like to go. *Bayly* dying considerably indebted, his Executors renounced, and Administration with the Will annexed, was granted to the Defendant *Lewen*, as Principal Creditor for about 2000 *l.* by Simple Contract; and *Bayly* was likewise indebted to several others by Simple Contract; afterwards *Eyton* becomes a Bankrupt, and this Bond of 1500 *l.* was assigned by the Commissioners to the Plaintiffs, who were his Creditors; so this Bill was brought to have the Bond delivered to the Plaintiffs, and to have an Account of *Bayly's* Personal Estate, and Satisfaction thereout for the said 1000 *l.* several Proofs were read on the Plaintiff's Part, to prove the due Execution of the Bond; and that seemed to be out of all doubt, *Eyton* and his Wife likewise being examined as Witnesses, by Order of the Court, did, both by their Answer and Depositions swear the Agreement by *Bayly*, to be, to pay or secure 4000 *l.* for the Wife's Portion.



On the other Side, it was proved, that if this 1500 *l.* should be taken out of *Bayly's* Assets, there would not be enough to pay above 4 *s.* 6 *d.* in the Pound to his Creditors, so the only Question was, Who should have the Preference?

But another Question was made, Whether the dead Daughter's Portion should survive wholly to the other Daughter, or be distributed between her and her Mother according to the Statute, and as to this a Difference was taken and agreed by the Court, that as to the Orphanage Part which belonged to the Daughters, by the Custom of *London* the Survivor should have the whole, even after a Division and Partition made between them; but as to the Testator's Part devised to them, that was under the Direction of the Statute as a Legacy, and must be distributed between the Mother and surviving Daughter accordingly.

And as to the other Point, the Court was of Opinion, that this Bond was to be looked upon as voluntary against the Creditors of *Bayly*; but my Lord said, that the Agreement to pay or secure 4000 *l.* in Consideration of the Marriage, though it were only by Parol, and by Consequence not binding within the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*, yet it was binding in Conscience; and therefore so far as *Bayly* afterwards executed that Contract, by Payment of Part of the Money agreed upon, it was an effectual Performance, and not to be set aside in a Court of Equity, and he never would call that fraudulent which was just; but as to the 1500 *l.* Bond, you cannot tack that to the Parol Agreement, so as to make it any Evidence in Writing of that Agreement, or as a Performance of it, for that appears to have been given four Years after, and without any Application of *Eyton* or his Wife; besides, if it had been intended to be in Execution of the former Agreement, 'tis natural to conclude it would have been immediately delivered over to the Obligee, or his Wife, which here it was not; but *Bayly* the Obligor always kept it by him, it was made at  
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the same Time with his Will, shown to them at the same Time with his Will, and after his Death found with his Will; and therefore he could take it no otherwise than in the Nature of a Legacy, and voluntary; and therefore decreed an Account to be taken of *Bayly's* Personal Estate, and that to be applied in the first Place towards Payment of his own Creditors, and if any Surplus remained, the Plaintiffs were to come in for a Satisfaction of their Bond in the next Place before the Legatees of *Bayly*, and Costs on all Sides to come out of *Bayly's* Personal Estate, he being the Occasion of this Suit; but the Plaintiffs thought there would be no Surplus at all; and therefore desired a farther Day to consider whether they would not choose to have their Bill dismiss'd, rather than enter into the Account, and my Lord *Chancellor* gave them Time accordingly to consider of it.

*In this Case the Court declared, and the Counsel agreed likewise, that if a Man brings a Bill for a specific Performance of a Bond Agreement, leaving forth the Substance of it in the Bill, and the Defendant by his Answer confesses the Agreement, that the Court may in such Case decree an Execution thereof, notwithstanding the Statute of Frauds and Performances, because the Defendant confessing the Agreement, there can be no Doubt of the Truth of the Agreement, and therefore the Court will decree an Execution thereof, notwithstanding the Statute of Frauds and Performances, provided that the Plaintiff has made a good Title to the same, and that the Defendant has not made a good Title to the same. But in the present Case the Defendant had not by his Answer confessed the Agreement charged in the Bill, which was only by Proof, to make forth Bonds and Houses on the Plaintiff, in Consideration of his marrying the Defendant's Daughter, and therefore the Bill was dismissed; and it was said, in all Cases where the Court has decreed a specific Execution of a Bond Agreement, yet the same had been supported and made out by Letters in Writing, and the particular Terms stipulated therein as a Foundation for their Decree, otherwise the Court would never carry such an Agreement into Execution.*

A Court of Equity will decree a specific Execution of a Bond Agreement, notwithstanding the Statute of Frauds and Performances, provided that the Plaintiff has made a good Title to the same, and that the Defendant has not made a good Title to the same.



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## Termino S. Mich.

1713.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 260.

*Symondson versus Tweed.*

A Court of Equity will Decree a Specifick Execution of a Parol Agreement, if it be set forth in the Bill, and confessed by Answer.

**I**N this Case the Court declared, and the Council agreed likewise, that if a Man brings a Bill for a Specifick Performance of a Parol Argument, setting forth the Substance of it in his Bill, and the Defendant by his Answer confesses the Agreement, that the Court may in such Case decree an Execution thereof, notwithstanding the Statute of Frauds and Perjuries, because the Defendant confessing the Agreement, there can be no Danger of Perjury from contrariety of Evidence, which was the only Mischief that Statute intended to obviate.

But in the principal Case the Defendant had not, by his Answer, confessed the Agreement charged in the Bill, which was only by Parol, to settle some Lands and Houses on the Plaintiff, in Consideration of his marrying the Defendant's Daughter, and therefore the Bill was dismiss'd; and it was said, in all Cases where the Court had decreed a Specifick Execution of a Parol Agreement, yet the same had been supported and made out by Letters in Writing, and the particular Terms stipulated therein as a Foundation for their Decree, otherwise the Court would never carry such an Agreement into Execution.

*Brander versus Bales*

Case 281

**T**HE Plaintiff was Assignee of a Commission of Bankruptcy issued out against one *Bosvil*, who was a *Gun-Powder Maker*, and had contracted with the Defendant for as much *Salt-Peter* as came to 244 *l*, but not having ready Money to pay for the same, proposed to make him a Mortgage of an Estate he had in his own Possession, by Way of Security for the Money, and in Order thereunto left with the Defendant the Title Deeds to get the Assignment drawn; the Defendant carried the Deeds to an Attorney, to look into the Title, and draw the Assignment, and the Attorney kept them by him for some Time, and then died, without having drawn the Mortgage; after which, the Defendant carried the Deeds to a Scrivener for the same Purpose; but before the the Assignment was perfected, the Plaintiff became a Bankrupt.

And now the Plaintiff, Assignee of the Commission, brought this Bill to have the Deeds delivered up, that so the Estate might be sold for Satisfaction of the Creditors.

The Defendant insisted on the Matters aforesaid, and his Council urged, that this was more than a Pledge of the Writing, that an Assignment was intended to have been made; and if it had been made, this Court would not have taken it from him, without Payment of the Money; that its not being made was an Accident, occasioned by the Death of the Attorney, and this Court often relieves Accidents; and therefore the Plaintiff ought not to have the Deed without Payment of the Money.

But the Court decreed the Deeds to be brought before the Master, and to be delivered by Schedule to the Plaintiff; but, *Note*, No Reason was given for this Decree.



Case 262.

*Andrews versus Cradock.*

Any Person  
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chein Amy,  
exhibit a Bill  
in the Name  
of an Infant,  
but can't in  
the Name of  
a Feme Co-  
vert without  
her Consent.

**I**N this Case it was said by Council, and agreed to by the Court, that any one may bring a Bill as *Prochein Amy* to an Infant without his Consent, because it is at his Peril that brings it to be answerable for the Event; but none can bring a Bill in the Name of a Feme Covert, as her *Prochein Amy*, without her Consent; and if such Bill be brought, upon her Affidavit of the Matter, it will be dismiss'd.

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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*East-India Company versus Clavel, & al.* Case. 263.

**S**IR *Edward Littleton* being appointed by the *East-India Company* to go as President to the Bay of *Bengall*, and to transact and manage all the Affairs of the Company, there does, by Articles dated 16th of *Jan.* 1698, for himself, his Executors and Administrators, covenant and agree with the Company, and their Successors, to depart with the first Ship that should set Sail for that Place; and after his Arrival there, he would faithfully, and to the utmost of his Skill and Power transact and manage all Things in Relation to the Company, for their Benefit and Advantage, and would not imbezil, misemploy, or convert any of the Goods, or Effects of the said Company to his own Use, with several other Covenants relating to his Fidelity and good Behaviour in the said Employment; and at the same Time Sir *Edward Littleton* with Sir *Strensham Masters* and Mr. *Shepherd* as his Sureties, became jointly and severally bound in a Bond of 2000 *l.* Penalty, conditioned for

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*Ann.* who before the Marriage was advised by Council, that the Portion was sufficiently secured, and who, afterwards on her Death, had on her Request expended 400 *l.* on her Funeral, but never made any Settlement on her. After *A.* embezils the Goods and Stock of the Company, to a considerable Value, yet they cannot break through this Provision, so as to make it voluntary and fraudulent as to them.

*A.* agrees with the *East-India Company* to go as President to *Bengal*, and enters into a Bond of 2000 *l.* Penalty, for Performance of Articles; but before he set out, he made a Settlement of his Estate, and among other Things he declared the Trust of a Term of 1000 Years to be for the raising of 5000 *l.* as a Portion for his Daughter, who afterwards married *J. S.* a Gentleman of 700 *l.* per



Performance of the said Articles, and this Bond, like all others, bound themselves, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators.

Afterwards Sir *Edward Littleton* being to proceed on his Voyage, by Lease and Release the 21<sup>st</sup> of *January* 1798, settles all his Estate on Trustees, and their Heirs to several Uses, and among the rest carves out a Term of 1000 Years, and this was declared to be upon Trust, that the Trustees should raise the Sum of 5000 *l.* as a Portion for his Daughter *Jane*, to be paid within three Months after her Marriage; and likewise a Provision for the Payment of his Debts, and soon after set out for *Bengall*; during the Time of his abode there, he managed the Affairs of the Company, and had generally two or three Hundred Thousand Pounds of their Money in his Hands.

Mr. *Clavel* the Defendant, to whom Sir *Edward* had recommended the Care of his Daughter, some Time after Sir *Edward's* Departure makes his Application to her in Way of Marriage, and she having the Copy of her Father's Settlement in her Hands, delivers it to Mr. *Clavel*, who went to Counsel to advise upon it, and being advised, that the Portion of 5000 *l.* was sufficiently secured by that Settlement, Mr. *Clavel* and the young Lady soon after married, but no Settlement was made upon the Marriage, tho' it was proved that Mr. *Clavel* had an Estate of Inheritance of about 700 *l.* per Ann. and a Personal Estate of considerable Value. Some Time after the Marriage, Mrs. *Clavel* died without Issue; and it being her Desire, she was buried amongst her own Ancestors at a great Distance, which cost Mr. *Clavel* about 400 *l.*

After her Death, Mr. *Clavel*, her Husband took out Administration to her, and brought his Bill in this Court against the Trustees, and had a Decree for Sale of the 1000 Years; and for raising and paying the 5000 *l.* Portion, several Purchasers bid for the Estate before the Master, and the *East-India* Company from Time to Time, upon

upon Application to the Court, obtained Interlocutory Orders to put off the Sale, upon Pretence of bringing in better Purchasors : The Reason of which was, that Sir *Edward Littleton* had imbezilled, or misemploy'd Goods and Effects of the Company, to the Amount of 26000 *l.* and so had forfeited his Articles and Bond, and made himself liable to satisfy the Company that Demand ; and the Company had before that Time, by their Agents and Factors in *Bengal*, seized all the Books, Papers, and Effects of Sir *Edward*, and taken him into Custody, where he died ; and therefore the Company conceiving themselves interested in this Estate, obtained the Orders before mentioned for putting off the Sale ; and now at last brought this Bill against Mr. *Clavel*, the Trustees, and several others, to have an Account of the Real and Personal Estate of Sir *Edward*, and that the same may, in the first Place, be subjected to the making good of their Demands.

For the Company it was insisted, that this Settlement for raising 5000 *l.* for the Daughter, was meerly voluntary and fraudulent ; that altho' all voluntary Settlements were not fraudulent, yet this was apparently so, being made so immediately after the Articles and Bond given to the Company ; that it must be intended this Settlement was made and prepared at the same Time, tho' made to bear date five or six Days after ; that it was to take away or load that which was to be the Fund, for making good any Embezzlements or Misapplications of the Company's Money or Effects ; that the Company were Real Creditors for a very great Sum of Money, and prior in Time to the Settlement for the Daughter ; that the Settlement was purely voluntary ; and besides, the Daughter was since dead without Issue, and no Settlement had been made upon her ; and therefore it was hoped, this voluntary subsequent Settlement, made in Fraud of the prior Agreement and Articles with the Company, should not prevail.

On the other Side it was urged, that the Articles bound only the Executors and Administrators of Sir  
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*Edward Littleton*; that his Heirs were not named in it, and consequently his Real Estate not affected by those Articles, that indeed the Bond had expressly charged his Heirs as well as his Executors and Administrators; but then that could bring a *Lien* upon the Real Estate, no further then the Penalty of the Bond went, which was but for 2000 *l.* that there was no Pretence in the World to call this Settlement fraudulent; for tho' it was voluntary, yet it was made upon very just and good Reason, that Sir *Edward* was going a very long and dangerous Voyage, and in all Probability would never return again; that having only one Daughter, it was fit he should set his House in Order, and make some Provision for her before he went; that it appeared not to be fraudulent, in Regard he expressly provided for the Payment of his Debts; that this to the *East-India* Company was at that Time no Debt at all, nor is any Presumption to be allowed that he would become so indebted, in Order to defeat this Settlement; that admitting the Settlement was voluntary at first, yet by an Act. *ex post Facto*, such voluntary Settlement may become good, and so it was in this Case; that Mr. *Clavel* was drawn in and invited by this Settlement to marry the young Lady; that he advised with Council before-hand upon it, and was told it was an effectual Provision for 5000 *l.* Portion; that in Dr. *Hart's* Case in this Court, and affirmed in the House of Peers, a Letter from the Father promising to give his Daughter 1500 *l.* Portion, was held to be sufficient, not only to exempt it out of the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*, but was held likewise obligatory upon the Father to perform it, because the Person was thereby drawn in and invited to marry the Daughter; that in our Case Mr. *Clavell*, tho' he had made no Settlement, yet had a very good Estate, of which she would have been dowable if she had lived, and he has expended 400 *l.* on her Funeral to comply with her Request; that if this Settlement were voluntary in its Creation, yet being the Motive and Inducement to Mr. *Clavell* to marry her, this

this had now made it valuable, and therefore it was pray'd they might have the Benefit of their Decree, and the Sale go on to the best Bidder.

Lord Chancellor. I think the Settlement was a very reasonable, prudent, and honest Provision, and no Colour of Fraud in it; the Articles do not bind the Real Estate at all, but the Bond only, so far as the Penalty goes, which is but 2000 *l.* therefore let an Account be taken of the Personal Estate of Sir *Edward Littleton*, and what of his Goods and Effects came to the Company upon their Seizure, and if that falls short of the 2000 *l.* the Deficiency must be made good, in the first Place, out of the Sale of those Lands, prior to the Defendant *Clavell's* Demands; and 'till that Account taken, let 2000 *l.* of the Purchase-Money be brought before the Master, and placed out at Interest to abide the Event of that Account, and the Residue be applied towards *Mr. Clavell's* Demand of 5000 *l.* and all the Parties must join in the Sale, and reserve the Consideration of Cost till the Account taken.

*Boutell* versus *Mohun, Tilden, & al.*

Case 264.

THE Plaintiff's Bill was to have an Account of the Personal Estate of *Anne Mohun* the Defendant's Testatrix, and a Satisfaction thereof of the Sum of 400 *l.* and likewise to have an Account of the Rents and Profits of the Estate in Question, from the Death of the said *Anne Mohun*, and upon the Defendants Answers and Proofs read in the Cause, the Case appeared to be in Substance this:

What shall be a necessary Implication to disinherit an Heir at Law.

*Anne Birch*, the Plaintiff's Grandmother, and Mother of the said *Anne Mohun*, being seized in Fee of the Estate in Question, and possessed likewise of a Personal Estate, to the Value of about 2000 *l.* died Intestate several Years since; after whose Death the Real Estate came likewise equally between them, as next of Kin: The Plaintiff some Time after being sickly and infirm, and intending to go to *Montpellier*



*pellier* for the Recovery of her Health, releases and conveys her Moiety of the Estate in Question to her Aunt, and her Heirs, in Consideration of 400 *l.* secured to her by her Aunt's Bond; but having a great Confidence in her Aunt, she leaves this Bond with her Aunt, and then goes to *France*.

Afterwards *Anne Mohun* the Aunt, by Indentures of Lease and Release the 25th and 26th of *March* 1700, conveys the Estate in Question to one *Pepper*, and his Heirs, to the Use of him, his Executors and Administrators, for 99 Years, if the said *Anne Mohun* and the Plaintiff *Boutell*, her Niece, or either of them, should so long live, Remainder to the Use of herself and her Heirs; and then declares the Trust of the Term to be, that she the said *Anne Mohun* should receive the Rents and Profits thereof, for so many Years of the Term as she should live: Then comes a Proviso, that if the said *Anne Mohun*, her Executors or Administrators should pay the Plaintiff the Sum of 400 *l.* then the said Term was to cease and be void, and the same 26th Day of *March* 1700, the said *Anne Mohun* made her Will, and thereby devises to the Plaintiff the Sum of 400 *l.* being the same Sum of 400 *l.* secured to her by Bond; and likewise by Indenture of Release, bearing even date herewith, as the Will expressly described it to be; then after, by another Clause in the Will, she devises the Estate in Question to the Defendant *Henry Mohun* (who was her eldest Son and Heir) and the Heirs of his Body, after the Death of the said *Elizabeth Boutell* (the Plaintiff) with Remainders over, and dies.

The Defendant *Henry Boutell* enters, and suffers a Common Recovery of the Estate, and limits the Uses to himself and his Heirs; and now the Plaintiff brought her Bill to have Satisfaction of the 400 *l.* and Interest; and also an Account of the Rents and Profits of the said Real Estate from the Death of her Aunt; and *Henry Boutell* brought likewise a Cross Bill to be let into a Redemption of the Term, upon Payment of the 400 *l.* and

and Interest, and the single Question was, Whether the Plaintiff was to have this Estate for Life; by Virtue of the Devise to her for Life by Implication, or whether that Clause meant no more than only to continue it a Security to her for the 400 *l.* and Interest: The Plaintiff read one Witness to prove, that her Aunt declared she should have that Estate for her Life.

It was argued for her, that this Devise gave her an Estate for Life by Implication, and the Implication here was necessary, being devised to the Defendant, who was her Son and Heir; but that not to take Place 'till after the Plaintiff's Death; and consequently the Plaintiff must have it during Life, because no one else could, that the 99 Years Term was no Security of the 400 *l.* for that was determinable upon the Death of the Aunt and Niece; and if the Plaintiff, the Niece, had died before the Aunt, she had no Manner of Benefit of that Term; that tho' the *Proviso* made it in the Nature of a Mortgage, and redeemable upon Payment of the 400 *l.* and Interest; yet that was no absolute compleat Security for the Money; that this Devise to her for Life could not be taken to be of the same Nature with the Term, or as a further Security for the Money; because she had, in the first Part of her Will, expressly devised the 400 *l.* to the Plaintiff, and so had in a Manner paid or exonerated her Real Estate of that; and tho' she took Notice, that it was the same 400 *l.* secured to her by Bond, and likewise by the 99 Years Term, yet that was only to prevent her claiming two several Sums of 400 *l.* and therefore the Devise after of her Real Estate was absolute and independent; and must give her an Estate for Life, by necessary Implication.

On the other Side it was argued, that this Devise to her by Implication could be intended only to be of the same Nature with the Term, or as a kind of further Security to her, for the Money secured thereby; that as the Term was redeemable on Payment of 400 *l.* and Interest, so this Estate by Implication must be of the

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same Nature too; that as she had the Term for her Life, it was but natural when she came to dispose of the Inheritance to her Son, to give it him after the Plaintiff's Death, and proves only, that she carried the same Intention throughout her Will; that the Plaintiff should be secure of her 400 *l.* and the Estate not to be taken from her 'till that was paid; that this Will was made the same Day with the Deed, and expressly referred to the 400 *l.* secured by that Deed; and therefore her giving the Estate to her Son after the Plaintiff's Death, could only be intended, in Pursuance and Confirmation of that Estate the Plaintiff had before, which would have continued during her Life, and shews only that she would not seem to do any Thing in Derogation or Prejudice of that Estate.

And Mr. *Gilbert* argued, that even at Law the Books are, that the Implication in a Devise to disinherit the Heir, must be a necessary Implication; that if the Devise had been to the Plaintiff after the Death of a Stranger, this would not have carried it to the Plaintiff for Life, because no necessary Implication, but that it might descend to the Heir at Law, in the mean Time; that upon the Circumstances of this Case, it might be reasonably intended no other Estate than what she had before by the Term; that as that was for Life, it was natural and reasonable not to give away the Estate, till after her Death; that as the Term was redeemable, so must this Estate too, because it might be intended no other; and therefore no such necessary Implication of an absolute Estate for Life, as is allowed of in the Books of Law to the Disinheriton of the Heir.

My Lord *Chancellor* was of the same Opinion, and especially for this last Reason, that here was no necessary Implication; and therefore decreed the Plaintiff her 400 *l.* and Interest, and dismiss'd her Bill, as to the Account of the Rents and Profits, but without Costs, for the Colour she had to make such Demand.

*Andrews*

*Andrews versus Brown & Ux.*

Case 265.

ONE *Valentine Duncombe*, Brother of the late Sir *Charles Duncombe* (to whom the Defendant's Wife was Executrix) gave a Promissory Note in 1688, payable to one, or Bearer, and the Note had been handed from one to another, 'till at last *Valentine* became a Bankrupt, and went into *France*, and long after six Years, and the Death of *Valentine*, Sir *Charles* his Executor recovering a Debt of 5 or 6000 *l.* which was due to his Brother, put out an Advertisement in the *Gazette*, for all Persons who had any Debts owing from his Brother, to come to him, and make them out, and they should be paid; and the Plaintiff having this Note, had prosecuted for the Recovery of the Money after the Advertisement, but could never bring it to a Hearing 'till now, and now he had a Decree for 300 *l.* which was the Money due, by the Note and Interest allowed from the Time of the Bill brought; tho' my Lord said, this was in Nature of an *Indebit. Assump.* at Law.

What will  
revive a Debt  
and bring it  
out of the  
Statute of  
Limitations.

And in this Case it was held clearly, that if a Man has a Debt due to him by Note, or a Book Debt, and has made no Demand of it for six Years, so that he is barred by the Statute of Limitations; yet if the Debtor after the six Years puts out an Advertisement in the *Gazette*, or any other News Paper, that all Persons who have any Debts owing to them from him, will apply to such a Place, that they shall be paid, this (tho' it were general, and therefore might be intended of legal subsisting Debts only) yet amounts to such an Acknowledgment of that Debt, which was barred, as will revive the Right, and bring it out of the Statute again.

A Debtor  
who publishes  
an Adver-  
tisement in a  
News Paper,  
that all Debts  
due from him  
should be  
paid, by this  
a Debt barred  
by the  
Statute of  
Limitations  
shall be paid.

So if in that Case the Debtor had made his Will, and directed, that all his Debts should be paid, or made any Provision for the Payment of his Debts in general: This likewise would revive such a Debt and bring it out of the Statute,

One who by  
Will directs  
that his Debts  
shall be paid,  
or who makes  
Provision for  
the Payment  
of them,  
thereby re-

vives a Debt barred by the Statute of Limitations, and makes his Executors liable.



Statute, so that his Executors would be liable to the Payment of that Debt amongst the rest.

A Promise to pay a Debt, which is barred by the Statute of Limitations, sufficient to maintain an Assumpsit, but a bare Acknowledgment of it not.

So if after the six Years, the Debtor, upon Application for that particular Debt, acknowledges *and Promises Payment* (for a bare Acknowledgment has been ruled not sufficient) this revives the Debt, and brings it out of the Statute; because, as the Note itself was at first but an Evidence of the Debt, so that being barred, this Acknowledgment and Promise is a new Evidence of the Debt, and being proved, will maintain an Assumpsit for Recovery of it; and it was agreed, that a little Matter would bring a Debt out of the Statute, being to restore a Right.

Another Point in this Case was, that after the Bill and Answer came in, and Replication filed, several Witnesses were examined, and their Depositions taken, then the Plaintiff moved to withdraw his Replication, and took Exceptions to the Answer, and got a second Answer, and then reply'd, and examined other Witnesses, and now on the Hearing would read other Depositions; but the other Side insisting they could not be read, by Reason the Replication was withdrawn, and so taken without any Replication, they were irregular, and ought to be suppressed; and accordingly my Lord ordered they should be suppressed; for that it was said, they should have examined them anew after the second Answer came in, and Replication filed, or have moved the Court to have had Liberty to make Use of them at the Hearing.

A third Point in this Case was, wherein the Court and Bar both agreed, that where Interrogatories are exhibited in the Examiner's Office, and Witnesses examined thereon; that either Party may, without Application to the Court, or Order for that Purpose, exhibit one or more Interrogatories, or a new set of Interrogatories, for further Examination of the same, or other Witnesses; but where a Commission is taken out for Examination of Witnesses, there no new Interrogatory, or set of Interrogatories can be exhibited, without Motion

Motion and Order of the Court ; and the Reason of the Difference was said to be, because the Examiner is an Officer of Credit, and Sworn ; and therefore presumed to be impartial, and that he will not disclose the Depositions to either Party ; but the Commissioners are private Persons not sworn, and are called Plaintiffs Commissioners, or Defendants Commissioners ; and therefore without Leave of the Court, no new Interrogatories can be added before them.

### *Hunt versus Hunt & Ux', & al'.*

Case 266.

**T**HE Defendant was Son and Heir Apparent to the Plaintiff, who had an Estate of about 200 *l. per Ann.* and the Defendant being about to marry *Elizabeth Wright*, who was not above 16 Years of Age, the Plaintiff by Lease and Release, the 14th and 15th of *October* 1708, settles and conveys his Estate to Trustees, and their Heirs ; and, as to one Part, to the Use of himself for Life, Remainder as to that Part after his Death ; and as to the other Part in Possession, to the Use of the Defendant, for his Life, Remainder to the intended Wife, for her Life, for her Jointure, Remainder to the first and other Sons, &c. in the usual Form, and in the Release was a Proviso, that if the Marriage did not take Effect, or if it took Effect, and *Elizabeth* should not, when she came of Age, by Fine, or otherwise, join in charging an Estate she was then intitled to, of about 250 *l. per Ann.* with the Sum of 2000 *l.* to be paid to the Plaintiff ; then the said Indentures of Lease and Release and Settlement were to be absolutely void, to all Intents and Purposes.

Where a Settlement is made void by Non-performance of a Condition, yet a Reconveyance held necessary.

The Marriage took Effect, and about half a Year ago the Wife attained her Age of 21 Years ; but finding her own Estate of more Value than that settled upon her in Jointure, she and her Husband refused to join in charging it with the 2000 *l.* whereupon this Bill was brought against them, and the Trustees to have a Reconveyance.

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It was insisted for the Defendants, that here needed none, because by the Proviso, on the Defendant's Refusal, the Estate limited to them, was to cease and be void; but the Court thought that not sufficient without a Reconveyance, being in Case of a Freehold.

What is a  
Condition  
subsequent  
and not pre-  
cedent.

Then it was insisted for the Plaintiff, and the Bill was for that Purpose likewise, that he might have an Account and Satisfaction of the Mesne Profits, received by the Defendants from the Time of the Settlement; and it was said, that by the Proviso, the Estate being to cease and be void, on the Defendant's Refusal, the Plaintiff ought to be restored to all Benefits and Advantages which he had parted with, as if no Settlement had been made, and consequently to the Rents and Profits received by the Defendants; but my Lord *Chancellor* decreed a Reconveyance, and an Account of the Rents and Profits only from the Defendant's Refusal after his Wife came of Age, and no Costs on either Side; for it was said, this was not a Condition precedent, but subsequent to the vesting of the Estate in the Defendants.

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1714.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Jennor* versus *Harper*.

Case 267.

ONE *Jennor* made his Will in Writing some Time in the Year 1651, and afterwards, the 5th of December, in the same Year, make a *Codicil* in Writing, and the same Day makes another Nuncupative *Codicil* (upon which the present Question arose) and thereby devises out of his Lands and Estate, in such a Place, 20 *l.* per Ann. for the Erection of a School, and Maintenance of the Schoolmaster for ever, this Nuncupative Schedule was after his Death put into Writing, and proved as such by three Witnesses: The School was built, and a Schoolmaster put in, and continued for several Years by the Executors of *Jennor*'s Will; but afterwards the Heir at Law refusing to continue the Payment, no School had been there kept for now about 30 Years past; some Time since a Commission of Charitable Uses was taken out, and the Commissioners decreed the Devise good, and the Heir at Law to pay 20 *l.* per Ann. according to the Nuncupative Schedule, and now upon Exceptions to that Decree, the Question was, Whether this were a good Devise.

A Parol Devise of 20 *l.* per Ann. out of Lands to a Charity, tho' before the Statute of Frauds not good as an Appointment, by the 43 *Eliz.*

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It was urged for the Charity, that this, tho' it were only a parol Devise, was a good Appointment within the 43 *Eliz.* and that that Act made no Difference between an Appointment by Parol, and an Appointment by Writing; and that this being made before the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*, tho' it were only by Parol, and so not good within 32 *H. 8.* was yet a good Appointment within the 43 *Eliz.* which being subsequent in Time, had repealed the former Statute as to this, and that a Devise by Tenant in Tail to a Charity, though not good against the Issue, upon the Statute, *de donis*, yet has been several Times held good against him, as an Appointment, by the 43 *Eliz.* which had abrogated that Act, as to such Charitable Devises.

But on the other Side it was urged, that these Devises to Charities, as well as other Devises must be governed by some Rules; that by the Civil Law, if a Man devised a Charity out of his Personal Estate, and Legacies thereout likewise to others, and the Personal Estate fell short to answer all, the Charity should be preferred; but in this Court that Rule will not hold, but the Charity must abate in Proportion to the rest; that since the Statute of *Frauds*, if a Man by his Will gave Lands to a Charity, yet if that Will was carried but imperfectly into Execution, and so was not good as a Will, it has been held not to be good as an Appointment: So was *Dr. Johnson's* Case, where there were but two Witnesses to the Will; indeed, if a Man should make a Writing on Purpose to found a Charity, it might have another Construction; but when he makes a Will, and intends it to other Purposes, tho' he does thereby appoint a Charity; yet if the Will be defective as a Will, it shall not operate as an Appointment to support a Charity; that it was a long Time doubted, whether a Will in Writing, though good in all Circumstances, should operate as an Appointment against the Issue in Tail; and if that was so much doubted, to support a Nuncupative Devise out of Lands to a Charity, would be carrying it still much farther; and

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Mr. *Williams* mentioned a Case in *Swinb* 28, where a Man sent for a *Scrivener* to make his Will, and directed him to give his Land to such a one, and his Heirs, upon Condition. The *Scrivener* wrote the Devise; but before he had wrote the Condition, the Testator died, and this was adjudged a void Will; for an absolute Devise it could not be, because the Testator did not intend it so; and a conditional Devise, it could not be, because the Condition was added after the Man's Death; that the Reason a Devise by Tenant in Tail to a Charitable Use shall be good against the Issue, is, because the Testator had it in his Power by Fine to have barred the Issue; and tho' he did not live to perform that Ceremony, yet as a Will being perfect and compleat, by the Aid of the 43 *Elix.* it might Work as an Appointment; for that at Common Law there were no Fines, nor Recoveries, nor Estates Tail, and therefore that Statute was a restoring of the Common Law; so a Deed of Bargain and Sale to Charitable Uses, tho' not good by 27 *H. 8.* for want of Inrollment; yet by the other Act it will be good as an Appointment, for that restores the Common Law; but no Resolution has ever gone so far as to support a Parol Devise to a Charity out of Lands, because being defective as a Will, which was the Manner of Conveyance, he intended to pass it by, it can have no Effect as an Appointment, which he did not intend; and of this Opinion my Lord *Chancellor* seemed to be, but took Time to consider of it, and afterwards decreed that it was not good as an Appointment.

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## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 268.

*Sayer versus Sayer.*

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**A** Man by his Will gives all his Personal Estate in *Wanstead*, except his Bed and Bedding, to J. S. and after devises 300 l. out of the Personal Estate, and his Houses in *Cannon-Street* to the Plaintiff, who now brings this Bill for a Discovery of Assets, and to charge the whole Personal Estate with the Payment of his Legacy; and it was proved in the Cause, that the Testator at his Death was possessed of a Coach and Horses at *Wanstead*, and that there were likewise some Arrears of Rent due to him at his Death, out of Lands in *Wanstead*: It appeared likewise, that the Testator had a Personal Estate besides that at *Wanstead*, to the Value of about 300 l. and besides the Houses in *Cannon-Street*.

The first Question was, Whether the Devise of his Personal Estate in *Wanstead* was not such a Specifick Devise thereof, as to exempt it from coming in Aid of the other Personal Estate towards Payment of this Legacy.

Another Question was, Whether the Coach and Horses, and the Arrears of Rent at *Wanstead* passed likewise as part of the Specifick Legacy.

My Lord *Chancellor* decreed, that the Personal Estate at *Wanstead* was not to be applied towards Payment of the 300 *l.* Legacy; first, because it appeared that the Testator had a Personal Estate over and above that at *Wanstead*, to the Value of about 300 *l.* and his Intent seems plain to charge that only with the Legacy, not having devised it out of all his Personal Estate whatsoever, or wheresoever, or incerted any Words, to show, that his whole Personal Estate should stand charged with it.

2dly, Because having such other Personal Estate to the Value of about 300 *l.* which he might presume sufficient to answer that Legacy; yet as a Supplement, and to aid the Deficiency of it, in Case that should fall short, he has likewise charged his Estate in *Cannon-Street* with it; which shows that he intended to provide for it out of some other Fund, and not out of his Personal Estate in *Wanstead*, which he had before specifically given to another; but the Case may so happen, that a Specifick Legacy shall be chargeable with the Payment of a Pecuniary Legacy; as in this Case, after he had devised his Personal Estate at *Wanstead*, if he had likewise devised his Personal Estate at such another Place, and then devised such 300 *l.* Legacy, out of his Personal Estate, and died, leaving no other Personal Estate than in the two Places beforementioned, this 300 *l.* Legacy must have come out of his Personal Estate at large in both Places, tho' otherwise Pecuniary Legatees are generally to abate in Proportion, where the Personal Estate not specifically devised, falls short to answer their Legacies, and shall have no Aid of the Specifick Legatees to make up their Pecuniary Legacies; especially, if they are devised generally, and at large, without saying, out of his Personal Estate, or out of all his Personal Estate whatsoever,



whatsoever, or Words to that Effect; and it was agreed clearly, that this Devise of his Personal Estate at *Wanstead*, was as much a Specifick Legacy of it, as if he had enumerated the several Particulars of it.

It was likewise decreed, that the Coach and Horses were part of his Personal Estate at *Wanstead*, where he lived; for since there is no other Period for fixing the Time when a Devise shall take Place, but the Instant of the Testator's Death; and you cannot say, that what he had a Week, or a Fortnight, or any other Time before his Death, shall pass, rather than what he had at any other Time; therefore in Case of a Personal Estate, which is fluctuating and changing the Instant of his Death, is the only Time to ascertain it, and we have no other Rules in Equity for the Construction of Wills, than what are at Common Law; and here at his Death the Coach and Horses were at *Wanstead*; so for the Arrears of Rent, they are part of his Personal Estate at *Wanstead*, for they were issuing out of Lands there, and were there, and no where else; and for the Objection, that the Devise of his Personal Estate at *Wanstead* should carry only his Household Goods, because he thereout excepted his Bed and Bedding, which as urged, was an Argument of his Intent to pass only Things of the same Nature of those he had excepted, this was looked upon as an Objection of no Weight at the Bar, and the Court took no Manner of Notice of it.

Case 269. *Sir John Talbott alias Ivory versus Duke of Shrewsbury & al.*

**I**N this Case it was said by Mr. *Vernon*, and agreed to by the Master of the *Rolls*, that if one, being indebted to another in a Sum of Money, does by his Will give him as great or greater Sum of Money than the Debt

A Debtor, without taking Notice of the Debt, devises a Sum as great, or greater than the Debt to his Creditor, this shall be a Satisfaction, *secus*, if it were devised on a Contingency, or it were less than the Debt.

Debt amounts to, without taking any Notice at all of the Debt, that this shall nevertheless be in Satisfaction of the Debt, so as that he shall not have both the Debt and Legacy; but if such a Debt were given upon a Contingency, which if it should not happen, the Legacy would not take Place, in that Case, tho' the Contingency does actually happen, and the Legacy thereby became due, yet it shall not go in Satisfaction of the Debt, because a Debt, which is certain, shall not be merged or lost, by an uncertain and contingent Recompence; for whatever is to be a Satisfaction of a Debt, ought to be so in its Creation, and at the very Time it is given, which such contingent Provision is not; and cited the Case of one *Pollexfen* to be so adjudged by the Lord *Harcourt*, and affirmed on an Appeal in the House of Lords; and as it is in the Case of a Will, so it will be likewise if the Provision were by a Deed; if the Provision be absolute and certain, it shall go in Satisfaction of the Debt; but if it be uncertain and contingent, it can be no Satisfaction, because it could not be so in its Creation, and the happening of the Contingency afterwards, will not alter the Nature of it.

Another Point in this Case was, that Lands were devised to Trustees in Trust, out of the Rents and Profits, to raise Money to pay Debts, and to settle the Lands themselves to several Uses; but because it appeared that the Rents and Profits of the Lands annually would not satisfy the Debts in any reasonable Time, an Account was directed to be taken of the Testator's Personal Estate, and what that fell short to pay off the Debts, was to be made up by a Sale of part of the said Estate; and the Master of the *Rolls* said, this was the common Course of Equity, where the Rents and Profits are not sufficient to pay the Debts in a reasonable Time; but if it had been directed to be raised out of the Rents only, it would have been otherwise.

Note, *Pasch. 2d Georg.* Mr. *Vernon* cited a Case of *Shelton* and *Dormer* in my Lord *Somers's* Time, where a

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like Decree was for a Sale of the Lands, for Payment of a Portion devised to be paid at a certain Time, out of the Rents and Profits of such Lands, it appearing, that the Annual Rents were not sufficient to raise the Portion by the Time; tho' in that Case the Land subject to the Portion was devised over to several others in Remainder, one after another; but if any Words in the Will show the Testator's Intent, that they should be raised out of the Annual Produce only, no Sale shall be decreed.

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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

### *Tompkins versus Tomkins.*

Case 270.

**T**HE Plaintiff's Father by his Will 1682, devised 500 l. apiece to the Plaintiff, his Daughter, and to two other Daughters, to be paid at their Respective Ages of 21 Years, or Days of Marriage, which should first happen, the said Portions to be raised out of the said Testator's Stock; and then devises the Rents of his Real Estate to his Wife for her Life, in Lieu and Satisfaction of her Dower, and for the Maintenance and Education of his Children; and also for and towards the raising and making up the said Portions, to his said Daughters; and then goes on; and after my Debts and Legacies paid and satisfy'd, I give and devise all my Land, Tenements, Hereditaments, to my Son, (one of the Defendants) and his Heirs, makes his Wife and the Defendant his Son Executors, and dies, leaving in Stock not above the Value of 100 l. The Wife enters, and the two other Daughters marrying, had their Portions paid them.

*A. devises 500 l. apiece to his three Daughters, at their Ages of 21, or Marriage, to be paid out of his Stock, and devises the Rents of his Real Estate to his Wife, for Life, in lieu of Dower, and for the Maintenance of his Children, and towards making up their Portions; and after his Debts and Legacies paid, devises the Lands to his Son, who together with his Wife he made Execu-*

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tors. The Stock was but of 100 l. Value, the Wife being dead, and the two eldest Daughters having had their Portions paid them; held that the Lands were liable in the Hands of the Son to the youngest Daughter's Portion.



This Bill was now brought by the third Daughter, who had attained her Age of 21 Years, and was unmarried, to have her Portion; the Wife had been dead some Time, and the Defendant the Son and surviving Executor, insisted, that his Lands ought not to be charged with the raising of this Portion, in regard it was expressly directed to be raised out of the Stock and Rents of the Estate during the Wife's Life; and that if the Wife had exhausted or consumed the Surplus of the Rents, which should have raised the Plaintiff's Portion, she ought to fall on her Assets; or however, that the Plaintiff could not lay the Load on his Estate, if the Wife left no Assets.

But the Court was of Opinion, that in this Case the Defendant's Estate was chargeable to make up the Portion to the Plaintiff; for the several Gradations in his Will show, that the Portions were in all Events to be made good to his Daughters; and therefore he first charges them on his Stock, and after devises them to be made out of the Surplus of his Rents, during his Wife's Life; and lastly, gives the Lands to his Son subject thereto, by deviling them to him after his Debts and Legacies paid, which in a Will amounts to a Charge on his Lands for the Payment thereof; since the Son by the Will is not to have the Lands till after the Debts and Legacies are paid.

And therefore it was decreed, that an Account should be taken of the Stock, and what the Proportion thereof (after a proportionable Deduction for the other two Legacies) fell short, should be made up out of the like proportionable Surplus of the Rents, during the Wife's Life, and what they fell short to be supplied out of the Defendant's Estate.

But it was not determined with any clearness, whether, if the proportionable Part of the Stock, and of the Surplus of the Rents, which were appointed the Fund, in the first Place, for the Payment of these Legacies were wasted by the Wife, Whether the Loss thereof

thereof, as to the Plaintiff's Legacy remaining unpaid, should fall on the Plaintiff herself; or if she should, by Reason of such wasting, load the Real Estate, so much the heavier to make good her Legacy; tho' my Lord *Chancellor* seemed to incline, that her Legacy must, as this Case was, be made good to her in all Events out of the Real Estate, in Case the other Funds provided for it proved Deficient, or were wasted, at least so much thereof as by any Misapplication during her Minority was lost and gone of the other Funds; tho' he said, from the Time of her attaining her full Age, it might, perhaps, deserve another Consideration.

Another Point in this Case was, that the Defendant the Son, had mortgaged this Estate to some other of the Defendants, who had full Notice of the Will, as was proved in the Cause; and whether they should be affected with this Legacy was the Question, tho' there was little said in Defence of this Point; but that the Defendants were only Executors of the Mortgagee, and knew nothing of the Transactions in taking the Mortgage.

Mr. *Vernon* argued, that in Case there could be any Doubt made of it, as he thought there could not; yet that the Defendant, the Son, who received the Money, would be chargeable therewith; and that the Plaintiff might in the Nature of a *Cestui que Trust*, prosecute him as a Trustee, for Recompence thereout, 'till her Legacy paid, and cited the Case of *Cherry* and *Ferrers* in this Court to have been decreed accordingly.

But my Lord *Chancellor* seemed to turn this reasoning upon him, that there the Wife for the proportionable Part of the Surplus was but in the Nature of a Trustee, and the Plaintiff must expect her Recompence for what she had wasted out of her Assets, and not load the Son therewith; but it was decreed to an Account as before is mentioned.



Case 271.

*Linguen versus Souray.*

By Marriage Articles 700 *l.* being the Wife's Portion, together with 700 *l.* to be added to it by the Husband, was agreed to be laid out in Purchase of Lands to be settled in strict Settlement, with Remainder in the usual Form to the Heirs of the Husband; before any Purchase made, the Husband dies without Issue, having first devised his Personal Estate, which

was of greater Value than the 1400 *l.* but without taking Notice of it to his Wife, and his Real Estate to his two Nephews, one of whom was his Heir at Law. This Money shall in a Court of Equity be looked upon as Land, and the Devise to the Wife, which was of greater Value, as a Satisfaction thereof.

**O**N a Treaty of Marriage, Articles were entred into, whereby the Sum of 700 *l.* being the Wife's Portion, and 700 *l.* more added to it on the Part of the Husband, in all 1400 *l.* was agreed to be laid out in the Purchase of Lands, to be settled on the Husband for Life, Remainder to the Wife for Life, Remainder to Trustees to support, &c. Remainder to the first and other Sons of that Marriage in Tail Male successively, Remainder to the Issue Female of that Marriage, Remainder to the Right Heirs of the Husband: The Marriage takes Effect, the Husband dies without Issue, and before any Purchase, pursuant to the Articles, having first made his Will, and thereby he devises all his Personal Estate to the Defendant, who was his Wife, and devises all his Real Estate to the Plaintiffs, who were his Nephews, and one of them his Heir at Law; makes his Wife Executrix, and takes no Manner of Notice of the 1400 *l.*

And now this Bill was brought by the Plaintiffs to have this 1400 *l.* as they would have the Land, if the Purchase had been made pursuant to the Articles; it appeared in the Cause, that at the least Computation that could be made, the Wife had above 77 *l.* *per Ann.* by the Devise to her of the Personal Estate, which was 7 *l.* *per Ann.* more than she would be intitled to, in Case the Purchase had been made; and therefore it was decreed the 1400 *l.* was bound by the Articles, and should go to the Plaintiffs as the Land would have done, if a Purchase had been made pursuant to the Articles, and was in a Court of Equity to be looked upon as a Real Estate, and well devised to the Plaintiffs by this Will; and tho' the Wife could not be shut out of the Provision intended

tended her by the Articles for Life, if she thought fit to abide by the Articles; yet the Devise to her of the Personal Estate being more than an Equivalent, if she chose to take by the Will, it must in a Court of Equity be taken as a Satisfaction of the Articles as to her, and no Manner of Hardship to her; and it was said, that as this Case is, that if a Purchase had been made, even after the making this Will, though at Law such Lands would not pass; yet in this Court there could be no Question but the Plaintiffs would have the Benefit thereof, by the Relation to the Articles; and my Lord Chancellor was clear of the same Opinion; and it was said to have been several Times held in this Court, that if a Man by his Will gives several Specifick Legacies, and devises the Residue of his Estate to another, and his Circumstances vary, so that the Residuary Part becomes very inconsiderable; yet the Residuary Legatee must content himself with it, and shall have no Assistance from the Specifick Legatees; no more shall the Wife in this Case, when the Plaintiffs come to carry the Articles into Execution, which will take away so much of the Personal Estate; and this being so decreed by my Lord Chancellor *Harcourt*, was now on a Rehearing affirmed by my Lord Chancellor *Cowper*.

### *Roach versus Hammond.*

Case 272.

**A** Man by his Will in 1704, devises all his Real and Personal Estate to the Defendant, *for the Use of his Relations*, without specifying any in Particular, or using any other Words, makes the Defendant his Executor, and in 1706 died; and now the Plaintiffs, who were the Mother and three Sisters of the Testator, brought this Bill, as nearest Relations, for a Discovery and Account of the Personal Estate, and the Plaintiffs to come in according to the Course of Distributions settled by 1 Jac. 2 Car. 17.

A Man devises his Personal Estate to the Use of his Relations, without specifying any in Particular, it shall be distributed according to the Statute of Distributions.

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And it was agreed to be the Rule of this Court in the Construction of such Devises to Relations; that those, who by the Statute of Distributions would be intitled to the Personal Estate in Case he had died Intestate, should upon such general Devises be let in to the same Proportions only; and my Lord *Chancellor* said, he thought it the best Measure for setting bounds to such general Words; and that it had been often ruled accordingly in this Court.

Case 273.

*Bawdes versus Amburst.*

ON the Plaintiff's Application in Way of Marriage to his new Wife the Defendant's Sister, her Father proposed to give her Portion of 4500 l. and the Plaintiff proposed to settle on her by way of Jointure, a Rent Charge of 450 l. per Ann. and in Order thereunto, the Plaintiff and the young Lady's Father went to a Councillor's Chambers, to have in Consideration of the Portion the Father proposed to give, a Settlement drawn; Minutes of the Agreement were taken down in Writing by the Council, and given by him to his Clerk to be drawn up in Form: The next Day the Father dies, and the Day following the Marriage was Solemnized. This Agreement, notwithstanding these Preparations, held to be within the Statute of *Frauds and Perjuries*.

It was now argued by Mr. *Cooper* and Mr. *Vernon* for the Plaintiffs, that this was such an Agreement, as a Court of Equity might well carry into Execution, that the Statute did not require all Agreements to be signed by the Parties themselves; but if they were signed by any

any one lawfully authorized thereto, it was sufficient; that here Mr. *Minshull* had Authority and Directions from both Parties to draw the Articles; that he took down these Minutes or Heads from the Parties own Mouth, and reduced them into Writing; and that therefore this could not be looked upon as a Parol Agreement, or any Danger of Perjury, since there was a Writing of it, nor could there be any variety of Evidence concerning it; for the same Reason, that in the Case of *Mas-call* and *Cooke* in this Court, where only a Draught of a Marriage Settlement was prepared, and before it was ingrossed the Parties intermarried, and the Father was present, and gave the Wedding Dinner; he was afterwards decreed to pay the Marriage Portion, tho' the Agreement was never signed by either Party; that in several Cases, tho' there be nothing of the Agreement reduced into Writing; yet it has been decreed to an Execution in this Court; as if a Man, by his Answer confesses the Agreement as charged in the Bill, he cannot avoid it, by insisting it was never reduced into Writing, because, when he himself confesses it, there can be no Danger of Perjury or Contrariety of Evidence, no more can there be in this Case, when there is a Writing or Memorandum of the Substance.

But it was argued on the other Side, and decreed to be no such Agreement as this Court could carry into Execution; and my Lord *Chancellor* said, he had been always tender in laying open that wise and just Provision the Parliament had made; that the Act had not only directed such Agreements to be in Writing, as if that alone were sufficient, but went further, and directed them to be signed by the Parties themselves, or some other lawfully authorized by them for that Purpose; that to obviate the Pretence of such and such Cases, being out of the Mischief of the Statute, the Parliament had in general Words comprehended all, and directed that all Agreements should be in Writing, and signed by the Party; that he knew no Case, where an

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Agreement, tho' it were all written with the Party's own Hand, had been held sufficient, unless it had been likewise signed by the Party, and said, that the Party's not signing of it, was an Evidence that he did not think it compleat; that he had left it to an after Consideration, and might afterwards make Alterations or Additions in it; and therefore, unless it were either signed by him, or something Equivalent done, to shew that he looked upon it as compleated and perfected; he thought such Writing by the Party himself was not sufficient to bind him within that Statute, and cited the Case of *Muller and Halfpenny*, where the Defendant on a Treaty of Marriage for his Daughter with the Plaintiff, signed a Writing, comprising the Terms of the Agreement; and afterwards designing to elude the Force thereof, and get loose from his Agreement, order'd his Daughter to put on a good Humour, and get the Plaintiff to deliver up that Writing, and then to marry him, which she accordingly did, and the Defendant stood at the Corner of a Street, to see them go by to be married, and afterwards forced the Plaintiff to bring his Bill in this Court to be relieved; and my Lord *Chancellor* said, he remembred very well, that this Cause was heard before the Master of the *Rolls*, and the Plaintiff had a Decree; but he said, this was on the Point of Fraud, which was proved in the Cause, and *Halfpenny* walked backwards and forwards in the Court, and bid the Master of the *Rolls* observe the Statute, which he humorously said, *I do, I do*. And in the principal Case it was decreed to be no Agreement, which this Court could carry into Execution, being only Preparatory Heads, which were afterwards to be drawn into Form, and might then receive several Alterations or Additions, or the Agreement entirely broke off upon some further Enquiry, or Information of the Parties Circumstances.

But *Note*, It seemed to be agreed, both by the Court and Council, that if the Marriage had been had upon the foot of this Writing, and the Father had been privy  
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### *Beal* versus *Beal*.

Case 274.

**T**HIS was a Rehearing, and the Case appeared to be shortly this, the Plaintiff's Father being Tenant for Life, with Remainder to his Brother in Tail, prevails on his Brother to join with him in a Common Recovery, whereby the Estate was settled to the Use of the Plaintiff's Father for Life, Remainder to Trustees during his Life to support Contingent Remainders, Remainder to such Woman as he should afterwards happen to marry, for Life, for her Jointure, Remainder to the first, and other Sons of the Plaintiff's Father in Tail Male successively, Remainder to the Brother in Tail, Remainder to the Right Heirs of Plaintiff's Father; and in the Deed declaring the Uses of the Recovery was a *Proviso*, that it should be lawful for the Plaintiff's Father by Writing, or last Will, to charge the Estate with any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding 2000 *l.* for the Portions of Daughters or younger Sons, to be paid at such Times, and by such Proportions as the Father should direct: The Father afterwards marries the Defendant, and by her had Issue only two Daughters the now Plaintiffs, and by his Will taking Notice of his Power, appoints the Sum of 2000 *l.* to be raised out of the said Estate, for his said two Daughters, and to be paid and payable to them at their respective Ages of 18 Years, or Days of Marriage, which should first happen; without saying, after the Death of his Wife, or any *Proviso*, that it should not effect the Wife's Jointure, and then the Father dies.

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And now this Bill was brought by the two Daughters, who were under 18, and unmarried, to have Interest for their Portions, 'till payable. My Lord Chancellor *Harcourt* decreed, that they should have Interest after the Rate of 3 *per Cent. per Ann.* for their Portions 'till 12 Years



Years of Age, and from thence, 'till payable 4 *l.* per Cent. but they not liking this Decree, brought on the Cause again, and pressed very much for an Allowance of 6 *l.* per Cent. for their Portions, 'till payable.

But my Lord *Cooper* said, he thought the former Decree very tender in the Provision thereby made; and that it was rather a Recommendation to the Mother to make them that Allowance, than a Decree to charge her Jointure therewith; but since they were not satisfied with that Decree, as appeared by their bringing the Cause to a Rehearing, he must now give them no more than what in strict Justice they could demand; and that since their Portions were not payable 'till 18, or Marriage, he could not charge the Jointress with Interest thereof in the mean Time; but said, that the Reason of Postponing the Payment thereof 'till that Time, being in favour of the Jointress, she ought to Maintain them out of the Profits of her Jointure Lands; but in regard the said Portions could not in Strictness carry Interest, 'till they became payable, it was decreed, that from the Time they became payable, they should be allowed 6 *l.* per Cent. Interest for the same, and whether the Portions on the Daughters attaining the Age of 18 Years, or Marriage, should be immediately raised, so as to charge and effect the Jointure Estate for Life, or wait 'till her Death? My Lord said, it would be Time enough to consider of that, when that came to be the Case.

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In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Challis versus Casborn.*

Case 275.

**I**N this Case it was said by Mr. *Vernon*, and agreed to by the Court, that if a Man has a Debt owing to him by Mortgage, and another on Bond from the same Person, that he cannot tack them together against the Mortgagor; but that he shall be let into a Redemption on Payment of the Mortgage Money only; but the Heir in such Case shall not be let into a Redemption without Payment of both, because the Land in his Hands is chargeable with the Bond, even at Law; and now since the Statute against fraudulent Devises, the Devisee of the Equity of Redemption is in the same Case, and cannot Redeem without Payment of both, because the Statute makes such Devise void, as against Creditors, and then the Devisee stands in the same Place as the Heir must have done, if no Devise had been made; but before that Statute, such Devisee would not be liable to the Bond Debt, any more than the Mortgagor himself.

A Mortgagor who borrows more Money from the Mortgagee on his Bond, shall redeem without paying the Bond Debt; but his Heir cannot, neither can the Devisee of the Equity of Redemption since the Statute against fraudulent Devises.

Another Point in this Case was, that a Man seised of some Freehold Estate, and also of a Copyhold Estate, devised all his Real and Personal Estate for the Payment

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of his Debts, and died without any surrender of the Copyhold Estate to the Use of his Will; and whether this Court would supply the Want of such Surrender, as they would have done if the Copyhold Estate had been expressly mentioned in the Will, as Copyhold? Mr. *Williams* said, the Master of the *Rolls* had supplied the Defect of a Surrender in such a Case, where there was no Freehold at all; and he thought it the same Case here, where the Freehold Estate was not sufficient for Payment of the Debts.

But my Lord *Chancellor* said, he had never known it carried so far, because he thought the Devise of his Real Estate did not show an Intention to pass a Copyhold, which in the Eye of the Law was of the lowest Regard, and looked upon only an Estate at Will, though Custom had now fixed it in the Copyholder; and said, unless they could show some Precedents, he could not assist them.

A third Point was, that the Devisees of the Real and Personal Estate were made Executors; and therefore Mr. *Vernon* said, it was a settled Distinction in this Court, that they ought to apply the Estate in such Case, in a Course of Administration; because, if the Estate were sold, it would be Personal Assets in their Hands, and then to pay a Debt of an inferior Nature, before one of a Superior, would be a Devastavit; but if they had not been made Executors, then the Creditors should have come in all equally; because in Equity all Debts are equal, and they as Trustees could give no Preference, and would be in no Danger, as Executors in such Case.

But my Lord *Chancellor* thought the Accident of their being made Executors, ought to make no Difference in Equity; but that all Creditors should be considered equally, and would see Precedents, though Mr. *Vernon* said, it had been a settled Distinction, and several Precedents in Point.

## Read versus Duck.

Case 276.

**I**N this Case a Question arose upon a Freeman of London's Will, upon what Part of the Testator's Estate the Loss, which was occasioned by the Failure of the Executors, should fall, and it was referred to a Master to state a Case to be sent to the Recorder of the City, to certify it to the Court, and the Case as Stated was thus :

If a Loss happens to a Freeman of London's Estate, by the Insolvency of his Executors, such Loss shall be born out of the Testamentary Part of his Estate only, and not out of the whole Personal Estate.

Whether by the Custom of the City of London the Loss which befalls a Freeman's Estate, by the Insolvency of his Executors, ought to be born out of the Testamentary Part of his Estate only, or out of the whole Personal Estate, as well Customary as Testamentary? To which it was certified :

*We the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of London, whose Names are under-written, in Obedience to the said Order, by William Thompson, Esq; Recorder of the said City, humbly certify unto your Lordship, that if a Freeman of London dies, leaving a Widow and Children, his Personal Estate after his Debts paid, and the customary Allowance for his Funeral, and the Widow's Chamber being first deducted thereout, is by the Custom of the said City, to be divided into three equal Parts, and disposed of as follows, viz. one Third Part belongs to the Widow, another Third Part to the Children unadvanced by him in his Life Time; and the other Third Part such Freeman may dispose of by his Will, as he pleases; but where a Loss of the Freeman's Estate by the Insolvency of his Executors happens, there is not any Custom of the City of London which directs, whether such Loss ought to be born out of the Testamentary Part of his Estate only, or out of his Personal Estate, as well Customary as Testamentary.*

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This Report of the Lord Mayor and Aldermen being returned back to the Lord Chancellor *Cowper*, the Matter was again debated by Council before his Lordship, who was of Opinion, that the Widow and Orphans of a Freeman of *London* are in the Nature of Creditors, and shall have two Parts in three of the Personal Estate he shall die possessed of; and that if any Loss happen by the Insolvency of his Executors, such Loss ought to be born by the Legatees of a Freeman, intirely out of his Testamentary Part, and the same was in this Case decreed accordingly; so that the Widow and Orphans had two full Thirds of the Freeman's Estate, as if no such Loss had been.

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### Cassey versus Beachfield.

Case 277:

**I**N this Case it was said by Mr. *Vernon*, that the Reason you cannot examine any of the Plaintiffs, as Witnesses in the Cause, is, because, if the Cause Miscarries; the Plaintiffs will be liable to Costs; and therefore their swearing is to exempt themselves, and 'tis their own Choice that they are made Plaintiffs, for without their Consent they could not be made so; but Defendants are forced into the Cause, and if their being made Parties should absolutely invalidate their Testimony, it would be in the Power of any one, who had a Mind to oppress another, to deprive him of his Defence, by making the most material Witnesses Defendants in the Suit; and therefore any of the Defendants to a Suit may be examined as Witnesses, saving just Exceptions to their Credit, &c.

A Plaintiff in a Cause cannot be made a Witness; but a Defendant may, because he is forced into the Suit.

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Case 278.

*Packer versus Wyndham.*

Where the Wife's Fortune, tho' the Husband made no Settlement on her, shall go to the Creditors and Representatives of the Husband and not to the Representatives of the Wife.

THE only Question in this Case was, Whether any, and what Part of the Wife's Fortune should be subject to answer the Plaintiff's Demands, who were Sisters and Heirs at Law; and also Administrators and Creditors of the Husband against the Defendant, who was Administrator of the Wife, who survived her Husband: As to which, the Case was thus, Mrs. *Anne Asb* being intitled to the Sum of 5500 *l.* secured to her by a Mortgage for Years on the Estate of *Sir Edmond Bacon*, taken in the Name of Trustees; and likewise to 3000 *l.* secured to her by a Mortgage for Years on the Estate of *Sir Humphry Briggs*, taken in her own Name; and also to a Bond Debt of 400 *l.* and to several Jewels and other Things of considerable Value. The said Mrs. *Asb* became a Lunatick, and on a Commission of Lunacy issued out for that Purpose, the Custody of her Person and Estate was committed to one of the Defendants: Some Time after, *Philip Packer*, Esq; the Plaintiff's Brother, by some Contrivance got the Lunatick, and married her, without making any Settlement or Provision for her; and for this Contempt he and others concerned in procuring the Marriage, were committed by this Court to the Fleet, (but on a Suit in the Spiritual Court, the Marriage was sentenced to be good; and that Sentence afterwards affirmed on an Appeal to the Delegates) and it was order'd at the same Time, that all the Deeds and Securities relating to the Lunatick's Fortune, and also the Jewels, should be brought and lodged with one of the Masters of this Court, in Order to secure some Provision for the Wife, in Case she should survive her Husband; and likewise for the Children of that Marriage, in Case there should be any.

Some Time after, on Mr. *Packer*'s Application to the Court by Petition to have the Commission of Lunacy superseded; but in regard, Mr. *Packer*'s Estate was much

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incumbred, and he had made no Settlement on his Wife; it was at the same Time ordered, that so much of the 5500 *l.* as was necessary, should be applied towards discharging his Estate, and the Residue to be laid out in a Purchase of Lands, which together with so much of Mr. *Packer's* Estate as would make up 500 *l. per Ann.* was to be settled on Mr. *Packer* for Life, with Remainder to his Wife for Life, for her Jointure, Remainder to the Issue of that Marriage, &c. with Remainder to Mr. *Packer's* right Heirs; and upon Mr. *Packer's* making such Settlement, the Residue of his Ladies Fortune was to be paid and delivered to him; and in the mean Time he was to be examined in Interrogatories touching Incumbrances on his Estate.

Mr. *Packer* never complied with any Part of this Order; but being indebted to one *Gooding* in a considerable Sum of Money, *Gooding* brings his Action against him, and recovers Judgment, and took out a *Fi. Fa.* and thereupon the Mortgage Term of Sir *Humphry Briggs* was sold by the Sheriff, and the Debt paid.

After this, Mr. *Packer* being indebted to the Plaintiffs, his Sisters, in about 2000 *l.* apiece given them for their Portions, does by Indenture, taking Notice thereof, assign the said 5500 *l.* and all Securities taken for the same; and also all other the Fortune and Portion belonging to him in Right of his Wife, to Trustees in Trust, in the first Place to pay thereout to the Plaintiffs their Portions, and after in Trust for himself, his Executors and Administrators.

Some Time after Sir *Edmond Bacon* paid in the 5000 *l.* due on his Mortgage; and Mr. *Packer* not having complied with the Terms of the last Order, that same was again placed out at Interest on a Security taken, in the Name of a Senior Master of this Court, after which Mr. *Packer* died Intestate, and without Issue; and about two Years after, Mrs. *Packer* died likewise Intestate, and without Issue; whereupon the Plaintiffs, who were Sisters and Heirs at Law to Mr. *Packer*, and also Creditors as above-



above-mentioned, took out Letters of Administration to him, and the Defendant *Wyndham* took out Letters of Administration to Mrs. *Packer* the Wife, and brought a Cross Bill to have the Fortune, and Securities delivered over to him.

For the Plaintiffs in the original Cause it was argued, that they had an undoubted Right to this Fortune of the Wife's, not only as they were Creditors, but also as they were Representatives and Heirs at Law to the Husband; that if the Settlement had been made pursuant to the Order, the last Limitation being to the right Heirs of Mr. *Packer*, would have carried the Lands to them; that tho' no Settlement were made, yet as Representatives to Mr. *Packer*, they were intitled to it; so that call it Land, or call it Money, yet it equally belongs to the Plaintiffs; that a *Chose* in Action belonging to the Wife may be released by the Husband; and if Trustees for the Wife's Fortune should pay it to the Husband, his Wife would be without any Remedy; that a Wife on her Marriage is to forsake Father and Mother, and cleave to her Husband, and surely her Fortune is to go along with her; that a Husband may maintain Trover for his Wife's Goods taken from her before Marriage, without joining her in the Action, so is 2 Lev. 107; and if a Husband before Marriage agrees to make a Settlement on his Wife, and afterwards makes the Settlement accordingly, this intitles him to all her Fortune, especially if it were made in Consideration of that Fortune; and therefore his Representatives shall go away with it, tho' the Wife should survive, and this has been several Times settled in this Court; and here, tho' no actual Settlement has been made, yet the Wife has had the Benefit of her Fortune preserved to her for Life, which is all she should have had, in Case the Settlement had been made; that she being dead, and no Children to be provided for, her Fortune ought to go over to her Husband's Family, and not return to her own; that tho' *Choses* in Action are not assignable at Law, yet such

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Assignments are supported every Day in this Court, and the Plaintiffs in this Case are Creditors; and therefore more strongly intitled to the Benefit of the Husband's Assignment; that these Securities being lodged in the Court, makes no Manner of Difference, for the Court is but in the Nature of a Trustee of them for the Wife, and has no Property therein; but the Property is still in the Wife, and consequently in the Husband; that any Disposition by *Cestui que Trust*, is binding upon the Trustee in a Court of Equity, and even at Law; if the Husband brings Debt on the Wife's Bond, and recovers Judgment, this alters the Nature of the Security, and makes it the Husband's; and so it has been lately adjudged in the *King's-Bench*, where such a Judgment was held assignable within the Statutes of Bankrupts for the Benefit of the Husband's Creditors, for when the Husband recovers Judgment, the Debt is turned into *rem adjudicatum*, and is no longer a *Chose in Action*.

But my Lord Chancellor seemed to think, that such Judgment would not have carried it to the Husband's Representatives against the Wife surviving, if that had been the Point of the Case.

It was likewise urged, that the Order of the 19th of March had not at all varied the Case, for the Intent thereof was only to secure some Provision for the Wife; that she being now dead, that Order has had its Effect, and the Plaintiffs who stand in the Husband's Place ought to have the Residue of the Wife's Fortune.

On the other Side it was argued, that by this Commission of Lunacy against the Wife, the Property of her Fortune was vested in the Crown, and this being in Force at the Time of the Marriage, prevented the Husband's Power over it; that he had indeed been very justly committed for his Contempt in marrying her; but that would be a very insignificant Punishment, if he might at the same Time go away with all her Fortune; that at least the Crown had a Power to preserve the Estates and Fortunes of Lunatics, against any Disposi-



tion of their own ; and that Power was lodged in this Court, that the Court had more than a bare Custody of this Lady's Fortune ; that by the Order of the 19th of *March*, Mr. *Packer* was not to have any Part of her Fortune, 'till he made the Settlement, thereby ordered ; that this was in the Nature of a Condition precedent ; and he not having performed his Part thereof, had no Title to the Fortune ; that the Husband's Assignment could not be pretended to affect the 3000*l.* on Sir *Humphry Brigg's* Mortgage, the Sheriff having made an absolute Sale of the legal Term on the *Fi. Fa.* before that Assignment, and the Vendee by that Sale was become the absolute Owner thereof ; and Mr. *Vernon* cited a Case of *Burnet and Kinaston*, where the Wife having a Sum of 1400*l.* out upon Mortgage, the Husband after Marriage made an Assignment of this Money, and agreed, that when it was paid in, the Trustees should invest it in the Purchase of Lands, to be settled to several Uses ; then the Husband died, and afterwards the Wife died before the Money was paid in, and it was decreed for the Representatives of the Wife, against the Representatives of the Husband ; the Reason of which Case he said was, that the Husband could Transfer no more to another, than he himself had ; that he had but a Power of calling in this Money, and if he had made Use of that Power and received it, the Property had been absolutely in him ; that his Assignee, who stood in his Place, could have no other Interest than the Husband himself had ; and since the Assignee did not reduce it into Possession during the Husband's Life, the Wife being the Survivor, became intitled to it as a *Chose* in Action, and consequently it must go to her Representatives, and this he said was a Case in Point.

It was likewise urged, that if this Fortune should go to the Representatives of the Husband, it might have proved a very great hardship on Mrs. *Packer*, for she might have married again, and had Children, and they must have been left destitute of any Provision ; that as to the

Husband's Assignment it was general; and if such general Assignments should prevail, it would soon put an End to the Doctrine of Chattels Real, and *Choses in Action* surviving to the Wife; for then it would be only for the Husband immediately after Marriage, to make a general Assignment of all his Wife's Fortune; and that would prevent their taking any Thing after his Death, tho' nothing more were done by the Husband to alter the Property; that as the Plaintiffs could with no Colour ask the Decree they are now seeking for against the Wife herself, if she were living, no more ought they to prevail against the Defendant, who is her Representative, and stands in her Place; and Mr. *Vernon* cited a Case of *Pheasant and Pheasant*, where a Man married a City Orphan without the Leave of the Court of Orphans, and for this he was committed and fined; and sometimes that Court has fin'd a Man in such Case, to the full Value of the Wife's Fortune; yet that Court is of much inferior Jurisdiction to this; and though such Proceedings may perhaps be somewhat Arbitrary, yet they have never been condemned or prohibited; and therefore he submitted it to the Court, Whether Mr. *Packer's* marrying his Lady, who was then under the Care and Protection of this Court, without their Leave, was not such a Contempt as might amount to a Forfeiture of her Fortune.

And it was urged by most of the Council for the Defendants, that the Power of the Crown over Lunaticks was such a Prerogative, as vested their Fortunes in the Crown, tho' the Committee was accountable for the Profits to the Relations of the Lunatick, or to the Lunatick himself, if he recovered; and if so, the Possession of the Wife was divested before her Marriage, and consequently the Husband had no Power to dispose of her Fortune; but this was thought by several to be no Law, and the Court seemed to think it of so little Weight, that no Answer was offered to it.

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Lord Chancellor. As to the Marriage, that is now out of the Case, having had its Agitation in a proper Court, and a Sentence pronounced for it; and therefore it is to be looked upon as Valid and good. As to the Order 19th of *March*, I think that is likewise out of the Case, for as the Husband, if he had complied with the Terms of that Order, had been a Purchaser of his Wife's Fortune, so he having not complied with them, it is now as if no such Order had been made; so on the other Hand, the Wife being now Dead, and no Children left, the Reason for this Court's interposing is at an End; and then, as to the 5500 *l.* that being paid in during the Coverture, was the Husband's Money, and the Property absolutely vested in him by Law; and though this Court thought fit to lay their Hands on it, and had Power so to do, being paid into the Master's Hands; yet that was only in the Nature of a Caution, 'till the Husband should make some Provision for his Wife; it was the Husband's Money, but the Court had a Power to detain or keep it from him 'till he made such Provision; but the Wife being now dead, and no Children to be provided for, the Reason of their keeping the Money from him is at an End; and then, *Equitas sequitur Legem*, and must give it to the Husband's Representatives, to whom by Law it belongs. As to the 3000 *l.* on Sir *Humphry Brigg's* Mortgage, that being sold by the Sheriff on a *Fi. Fa.* before the Husband's Assignment, must take Place against the Assignment, tho' perhaps the Plaintiffs may have an Equity to the Remainder, after Payment of *Gooding's* Debt; for the Husband may assign over a Term or Mortgage for Years, which he has in Right of his Wife, and so he may likewise the Trust of such Term, and this shall prevail against the Wife, though she survives; and this will be different from the Case of *Burnet* and *Kinaston*, for in that Case the Mortgage to the Wife was a Mortgage in Fee, which the Husband alone could not dispose of; and therefore the Estate being still in the Wife, carried the Money along with it to her and her Representatives, but

but of a Term for Years, or the Trust of such a Term, the Husband has the absolute Power, and may dispose of it, without his Wife's joining with him; and therefore this Assignment of his to the Plaintiffs might have been good, if it had not been for the antecedent Sale by the Sheriff; but, however, this Question is not now before me, and 'till you bring on the Cause against *Gooding's* Creditors, I shall say nothing further in it.

As to the Bond of 400 *l.* that I think was plainly a *Chose* in Action, and must go to the Defendants, notwithstanding the Husband's Assignment, because it was a Thing not assignable at Law, and here seems no Equity to support it against the Defendants; but as to the Jewels they must go to the Plaintiffs, for this Court kept them but as a Pledge or Caution, and the Property was still in the Wife, and consequently in the Husband, and here was no tort or tortious Act to divest that Property, and turn it into a *Chose* in Action, for the Possession of the Court was not such; and therefore the Plaintiffs, as Representatives of the Husband, have a Right to them likewise; and he said, the Difference between a Bond or such like, and a Term for Years, whereto the Husband was intitled in Right of his Wife, was that, tho' the Bond, &c. was merely a *Chose* in Action, and not assignable by Law; but a Term for Years was only a Chattel Real, which the Husband might assign by Law without his Wife, and so he might, the Trust of such a Term, and consequently the Money secured by it.

### *Demandray* versus *Mercalf*.

**T**HIS was a Case wherein my Lord Chancellor took Time to consider, and be attended with Precedents, and was shortly thus: A Man borrows 200 *l.* on the Pawn of some Jewels, worth about 600 *l.* and takes a Note from the Pawnee, acknowledging the Jewels to be

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Case 279.  
2 Vern. 691.  
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A. borrows 200 *l.* on the Pawn of some Jewels, afterward he borrows three several Sums, for each of which he gives his Note, with-

out taking Notice of the Jewels; his Executors shall not redeem the Jewels without paying the Money due on the Notes.



in his Hands for securing of the 200 *l.* afterwards the Pawner borrows at several Times three several other Sums of Money of the Pawnee, and gives his Note for each Sum, without taking any Manner of Notice of the Jewels, and dies.

His Executors brought this Bill to redeem the Jewels, on Payment of the 200 *l.* first lent thereon, and Interest; and the only Question was, Whether he should not likewise pay the other Sums secured by his Testator's Notes before he should be admitted to redeem, and the Plaintiffs were to produce Precedents, that the Redemption might be on Payment of the first Sum and Interest only, but could not find any Precedents.

My Lord Chancellor now gave his Opinion, that the Plaintiffs must pay all the Money due on the several Notes; and said, since there were no Precedents to guide him, he thought the constant Maxim of this Court sufficient for that Purpose, *viz.* that he who will have Equity, or comes hither for Equity, must do Equity; and since the Plaintiff cannot have back these Jewels, without the Assistance of this Court, it is reasonable and just he should pay the Defendant all Moneys due to him; for it is natural to suppose the Pawnee would not have lent him those Sums, but on the Credit of the Pledge he had in his Hands before; and said, the nearest Case he could find that came to this was, the Case of *St. John and Holford*, 1 *Chan. Ca.* 97, tho' he agreed that Case might be distinguished from this, being between the Heirs of the Mortgagor and Sureties; but he said, tho' the Reason he now gave for his Opinion be not mentioned in that Case, as the Reason of the Resolution; yet the Case would well enough have admitted it, and the Decree was accordingly; but Mr. *Vernon* said, if there had been any Creditors of the Pawner by Bond, or a Commission of Bankruptcy out against him, the Defendant must come behind them for his Debts on the several Notes, and could not have tacked them to the Pawn, so as to prefer himself before them; but that not being the

the present Case, My Lord decreed, that if the Plaintiff would redeem, the Time for Payment being lapsed, he must pay all; and he likewise declared his Opinion, that if the first Sum had been secured by a Mortgage of Lands, he should not have been admitted to redeem after the Day for Payment was lapsed, without paying likewise all that was due to the Mortgagee on Notes, or Simple Contract; otherwise if such subsequent Debts had been secured by Bond.

### *Seal versus Seal.*

Case 286.

**I**N this Case a Man being seised of a good Real Estate, and also possessed of a considerable Personal Estate, and having an Intention to settle and secure both in his Name and Family, does by his Will in Writing, after several Legacies, and Bequests, give and devise all the rest and residue of his Real and Personal Estate to the Plaintiff, and the Heirs Male of his Body to be begotten, for ever; and for want of such Issue, to the Defendant and the Heirs Male of his Body to be begotten, for ever; with like Remainders over to several others of the same Name, and makes the Defendant his Executor, and dies.

A Devise of a Personal Estate to one in Tail, Remainder over, the Remainder is void.

And now this Bill was brought to have an Account of the Personal Estate, and that the Plaintiff might enjoy the same to his own Use absolutely, the Remainder over being void; and the Defendant brought a Cross Bill, upon Pretence that there were Directions in the Will, to have the whole Personal Estate vested in the Purchase of Lands to be settled in the Manner abovementioned.

But upon reading of the Will, my Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, that these Directions extended only to such Part of the Personal Estate, as was not upon Government Security (which was about 8000 *l.* or 9000 *l.*) and for the Residue, which amounted to about 14 or 15000 *l.* that was plainly taken no further Notice of, than



than in the Devise above mentioned, of all the rest and residue of his Real and Personal Estate.

For the Plaintiff it was said, as to that, that the Devises over were absolutely void, and the whole vested in the Plaintiff, as not being capable of bearing any further Limitation, and this Point the Defendant's Council gave up; but then they insisted, that the Intent of the Testator appearing to be to continue the Real Estate, and the Lands to be purchased in the Name of the Testator, this Court would Order the Settlement to be made in such Manner, that the Plaintiff might not have Power to defeat the Remainders; and therefore, that the Plaintiff should be only made Tenant for Life, with Remainder to his first and other Sons in Tail Male, and so for the others in Remainder; and the Attorney General said, the House of Lords had in a Case lately made the like Provision for the Benefit of the Issue, that they may not be defeated by the Father.

But my Lord Chancellor said, it was in a Case of Marriage Articles, where the Intent was plain to provide for the Issue of the Marriage; but here the Testator himself has expressly given it to the Plaintiff in Tail Male; and therefore he thought this Court could not vary the Limitation; besides, that the Defendant has a chance for the Remainder, if the Plaintiff should die without Issue before any Recovery suffered; and mentioned a Case where such Remainder took Place, by the Death of Tenant in Tail without Issue, before he could compleat a Recovery; and therefore ordered a Settlement in this Case to be made in the like Manner, and the Deeds and Writings to be brought before the Master for that Purpose.

*Howell versus Price.*

ONE  *Davids* made a Mortgage of Lands in *Wales*, by way of Lease and Release, to one *Reynolds*, and his Heirs, in Consideration of 300 l. and the Proviso was, that if *Davids*, or his Heirs or Assigns, should on *Michaelmas-Day* 1702, or any *Michaelmas-Day* following, pay to *Reynolds*, his Heirs or Assigns, the Sum of 300 l. and all Arrears of Rent or Interest, which should be then due, then the said Conveyance was to cease; but in this Conveyance was no Covenant for Payment of the Money as usual, but only a Covenant for quiet Enjoyment, and that the Estate was free from Incumbrances. *Davids* pays the Interest of this Money during his Life, and settles the Lands themselves to the Use of himself for Life, Remainder to *Mary* his intended Wife for Life, for her Jointure, Remainder to his own Right Heirs; and after having Issue by his Wife, one only Daughter, named *Maud*, he by his Will gives several Legacies; and after devises in these Words: All the rest and residue of my Personal Estate, I give and devise to my Wife *Mary* and my Daughter *Maud*, whom I also make joint Executors, as well to pay my Debts, as to levy my Debts, and dies. *Maud* the Daughter was then an Infant, and died soon after, under Age, and without Issue.

This Bill was brought by the Plaintiff, and his Wife, who was Heir at Law to *Davids*, against *Mary* his Widow and Executrix, and against the Assignee of the Mortgage to be let into a Redemption of the Estate; and that the Personal Estate in the Hands of the Widow and Executrix, might be applied in Ease and Exoneration of the Real Estate, for the Benefit of the Widow and Heir at Law.

But my Lord Chancellor thought this a quite different Case from those wherein such Directions have been given, and said, that there being no Covenant for Payment of the Money, there was no Contract at all be-

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2 Vern. 701.  
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A Mortgage in Fee is made redeemable, on Payment of 300 l. and Interest, upon any *Michaelmas-Day*. Mortgagor dies, having devised his Personal Estate to his Wife, there being no Covenant for Payment of the Mortgage Money, whether the Personal Estate in the Wife's Hands shall be liable.



tween them, neither express nor implied, nor would any Action lie against the Mortgagor, to subject his Person, or compel him to pay this Money; but this was in Nature of a conditional Purchase, subject to be defeated on Payment by the Mortgagor, or his Heirs, of the Sums stipulated between them at any *Michaelmas-Day*, at the Election of the Mortgagor, or his Heirs; so that here was an everlasting subsisting Right of Redemption, descendible to the Heirs of the Mortgagor, which could not be forfeited at Law, like other Mortgages; and therefore there could be no Equity of Redemption, or any Occasion for the Assistance of this Court; but the Plaintiffs might even at Law defeat the Conveyance, by performing the Terms and Conditions of it, which were not limited to any particular Time, but might be performed on any *Michaelmas-Day* to the End of the World; and since here was no Covenant or Contract, either express or implied, to Charge the Personal Estate of the Mortgagor, he thought there was no Reason to lay the Load of this Debt, upon that, which was given to other Persons; and tho' *Maud*, who was Joint-Executrix with the Defendant, was also Heir at Law to the Mortgagor, yet he did not think her Moiety of the Personal Estate ought to be applied towards discharging this Estate, but must go to the Defendant as the surviving Residuary Legatee; and for the Expression in the Will concerning the Payment of his Debts, that being coupled with the other Words, *Whom I make Joint-Executors, as well to pay my Debts, as to levy my Debts*, show that he meant such Debts as belonged to the Office of an Executor, which this did not, there being no Remedy against them, for want of a Covenant for that Purpose; and it was at the Election of the Heirs of the Mortgagor for ever, Whether they would redeem this Estate or not; but he agreed, if a Redemption were now to be of it, the Defendant having the Estate in Jointure for her Life, must pay one Third, and the Plaintiff the Heir at Law, the other two Thirds of the principal Money; and that in the mean Time the

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Defendant must keep down the Interest of it; but there being some other Points in the Case, which required a further Discussion, and might be properly triable at Law, my Lord made no Decree, but ordered them to search for Precedents. *Note*, It was said to be a common Practice in *Wales* to make Mortgages in this Manner, with Design to keep the Estate for ever in their own Family.

*White versus Thornborough & al'.*

Case. 282.

**I**saac Jackson, the Plaintiff *Mary's* Father, being seised in Fee of a Freehold Estate, and also of a Copyhold Estate; and having married an Orphan of the City of *London*, does after Marriage, (in Consideration of 1700 *l.* which was her Portion, and was but then paid him by Indenture the 1st of *October* 1678) covenant with the Chamberlain of *London*, and another Person, to levy a Fine of the Freehold Estate, to the Use of himself for Life, Remainder to the Use of *Mary* his Wife for Life, for her Jointure, Remainder to the Heirs Male of his Body, on the Body of the said *Mary* to be begotten, with Remainder to his own right Heirs; and by the same Indenture covenants to surrender the Copyhold Estate to the same Uses; the Copyhold was not surrendered, nor was any Fine ever levied of the Freehold. After this, he had Issue by his said Wife, *Abraham* his only Son, and *Mary* his only Daughter, the Wife of the now Plaintiff, and died: After his Death *Mary* his Widow brought a Bill, and had a Decree to hold and enjoy the Estate during her Life. *Abraham* her Son contracted Debts to the Value of 1400 *l.* for which the Defendants became his Sureties; and for the better securing the Payment of those Debts, *Abraham* does by Indenture in *August* 1714, covenant to levy a Fine of his Freehold Estate, to the Use of *Mary* his Mother, who was then living, for Life, Remainder to the Defendants for 500 Years, Remainder to himself in Fee; and the Trust of the Term was declared to be for Payment of the 1400 *l.* and Interest, with

Where a Court of Equity will carry Marriage Articles into Execution, tho' to the defeating of Creditors.



with a Covenant for further Assurance; and at the same Time *Abraham* surrenders his Copyhold Lands to the same Uses: After this, *Abraham* makes his Will, and thereby devises all his Freehold and Copyhold Lands to the Defendants, for the better indemnifying them against the said 1400 *l.* and Interest, and makes them Executors, and then goes a Voyage into the *East-Indies*, where he died without Issue, leaving the Defendant *Anne* his Widow and Relict; no Fine was ever levied by him of the Freehold Estate pursuant to the said Indenture; and *Mary* the Plaintiff's Mother being dead, the Plaintiffs brought this Bill for a discovery of Writings, and an Account of the Rents and Profits of the Real Estate, as belonging to the Plaintiff *Mary*; and that the Defendants might likewise be obliged to surrender back the Copyhold Estate as belonging to the Plaintiff.

My Lord Chancellor *Harcourt* decreed accordingly, saving only the Defendant *Anne*'s Dower out of the Freehold Estate; and the Reason of his Decree was, that he took the first Indenture to be only in the Nature of Articles for a Settlement; and that if a Bill had been brought to have carried it into Execution, the Settlement would have been so, as to have made both the Son and Daughter Purchasers of the respective Remainders; and as to the Copyhold, that being to be intailed by the Articles, could not afterwards by a bare surrender be defeated, without a particular Custom had been found to have warranted it. From this Decree the Defendants now appealed.

For the Plaintiffs it was argued, that they were Purchasers under the first Settlement made by the Father, in Consideration of 1700 *l.* Portion paid; that tho' this Deed was executed after Marriage, yet the Portion being paid at the same Time, it could not be looked upon to be voluntary, but would be as effectual as a Settlement made before Marriage, and so has always been held where the Portion was paid at the Time of making the Settlement, that if the Fine had been levied pursuant to this Deed

of Covenant, there had been no Question but it had been an effectual Settlement; and then *Abraham* the Son being Tenant in Tail, his Covenants to levy a Fine could not have bound his Issue, much less the Plaintiff *Mary* who claimed as a Purchaser, by Way of Remainder as Heir of the Body of her Father; that tho' no Fine were levied, yet in a Court of Equity it was to be looked on as the same Thing; and there is no Doubt but if a Bill had been brought by the Trustees in the Father's Life Time, this Court would have obliged him to compleat the Settlement by levying the Fine; that the Plaintiff *Mary* was a Purchaser for a valuable Consideration under this Settlement, and therefore ought not to lose the Benefit of it; that as to the Copyhold that was actually surrender'd to the Uses of the first Deed; and then *Abraham* being Tenant in Tail thereof, could not without a particular Custom for that Purpose defeat either his Issue, or the Plaintiff, by a bare Surrender; and therefore it was pray'd that the former Decree might stand.

On the other Side it was argued, that the Defendants were just Creditors for 1400 *l.* that if the Estate were taken from them, they must intirely lose their Debts; that no Fine being levied pursuant to the first Deed, the legal Estate continued still in the Father, and from him descended to *Abraham* his Son, and he had by his Will devised it to the Defendants; that it was very extraordinary for the Plaintiffs to ask the Assistance of a Court of Equity to take it from them; that *Abraham* the Son was but Tenant in Tail in Equity, and therefore, tho' he did not levy a Fine, yet that was not material, for a Bargain and Sale, a Feoffment, or Covenant, to levy a Fine by such an equitable Tenant in Tail, has been held sufficient to bind his Issue; and so it was settled in the Case of *Allee* and *Allee*, where that Point came solemnly in Debate, that tho' the Plaintiff claimed by Way of Remainder, as Heir of the Body of her Father, yet it was such a Remainder as was actually vested in the Son; and if the Settlement had been perfected, he might by

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his Fine have barred, not only his own Issue, but also the Plaintiff, and then his Covenant to levy a Fine ought in Equity to have the same Effect; that as to the Copyhold Estate, there could be no Doubt but that was effectually vested in the Defendants; that there could be no Intail of a Copyhold, or if there could, yet a bare Surrender by such Copyholder has been always held sufficient to bind his Issue, unless some particular Custom were found; that a Common Recovery was needful, and therefore it was pray'd the Decree may be reversed.

But my Lord *Chancellor* said, he thought, if this Deed of Covenant were to be looked upon only in the Nature of Articles, then if a Bill had been brought to have carried it into Execution in the Life Time of the Father, the Court would have decreed the Limitation to have been to the first Son, and the Heirs Male of his Body, with Remainders to the Daughters, and the Heirs of their Bodies begotten, the Remainder to the Heir of the Body of the Father; and in such Case, tho' the Son by a Common Recovery might have barred the Remainder to the Daughters, yet they would have a Chance for it, in Case no such Recovery had been; which shows the reasonableness of pursuing strictly the Intent of such Agreements; for the Tenant in Tail, through Ignorance or Forgetfulness may omit to suffer such Recovery, or he may be prevented by Death before he has compleated it, and then the Remainder will take Place; but he thought in this Case, from the Circumstances of paying the Portion at the same Time, and the Chamberlain of *London* being a Party, that it was more than Articles, and ought to be looked on as a Settlement, tho' he said it was a very infirm and imperfect one; but taking it as a Settlement, then by the Limitations thereof, as they now stand, tho' the Son would have had both Estates in him, and might by a Fine have barred them, yet his Covenant to levy a Fine only cannot affect the Plaintiff, who now derives her Title, not under the Son, but as Heir of the Body of her

her Father, *per formam doni*, and is in Paramount the Estate in Tail Male, which the Son took.

But as to the Copyhold Estate, he said, that could not be looked upon as a Fee Simple conditional (which the Council for the Plaintiffs contended for, not being able to support it as an Entail) and that the Son could not alien it before the Condition performed by having of Issue; for that every Body knew Copyhold were at first but a kind of Tenure in Villenage, and in respect of their base Nature, determinable at the Will of the Lord, though now indeed they have been improved and hardned by Time; but *Prima Facie*, it must be taken, that a Surrender by such Tenant in Tail will bind his Issue, unless a particular Custom were found, that there ought to have been a Common Recovery, and that not appearing in the Case, he thought the Defendant had a good Title to the Copyholds; and therefore revers'd the former Decree as to that, but affirmed it as to the Freehold.

But, *Note*, several at the Bar were dissatisfied with this and the former Decree as to the Freehold, and thought that the Defendants having the Estate in Law in them by the Devise, and being just Creditors, ought not to have had this Estate taken from them by the Assistance of a Court of Equity, and thought the Distinction of an infirm Settlement unintelligible.

*Note likewise*, in this Case the Defendants themselves had by their Answer plainly confessed, that they had Notice of the first Deed at the Time they became Sureties, and took the Son's Covenant to levy the Fine.



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## Termino S. Hillarii,

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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 282.

In Court

Lord Cowper.

A. devises in

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*Imprimis, I**will and de-**vise, that all**my Debts, Le-**gacies, and**Funerals shall**be paid and**satisfied in the**first Place;*

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*Trott versus Vernon.*

**A** Man being seised of a Real Estate, and also possessed of some Personal Estate, makes his Will in Writing, and thereby devises in these Words, *Imprimis, I will and devise, that all my Debts, Legacies, and Funerals shall be paid and satisfied in the first Place. Item, I give and devise,* and then proceeds to dispose of his Real and Personal Estate; and his Personal Estate not being sufficient, the Question was, Whether that Clause in his Will should amount to a Charge on his Real Estate for the Payment of his Debts, Legacies, and Funeral.

My Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion that it should, for as to his Debts, it was but natural Justice they should be paid, and his Personal Estate would have been liable to the Payment thereof, whether he had given any Directions in his Will about them, or not; when therefore he wills and devises, that his Debts, Legacies, and Funeral shall be paid and satisfy'd, in *the first place*, these Words must be intended to give a Preference for those Purposes, to any other whatsoever; and since he

does not devise his Real or Personal Estate to any Person in particular; for these Purposes the Persons who come within that Description, must be supposed to be within his View; and it must be taken as a Devise for their Benefit, preferable to any Disposition whatsoever, either of his Real or Personal Estate, and consequently both of them are made liable thereto.

*Pagett versus Hoskins.*

Case 283.

**P**eter Whitcombe being a Freeman of London, and having Issue two Daughters only by a former Venter, makes his Will, and thereby devises 6000 *l.* apiece to his said two Daughters, and makes his second Wife Executrix, and dies; the Widow after his Death proves his Will; and on a Treaty of Marriage to be had between her and Sir Bennet Hoskins, she gives in an Estimate of Mr. Whitcombe's Personal Estate, amounting to about 18000 *l.* whereof 6000 *l.* being her own Share, she had taken Tallies and Orders to that Value into her own Hands, and proposes to have a Settlement made on her by Sir Bennet adequate to that Fortune.

A Freeman of London, having Issue two Daughters, devises 6000 *l.* apiece to them, and makes his Wife Executrix; by an Estimate it appeared that his Personal Estate at his Death was 18000 *l.* to 6000 *l.* of which the Widow being intitled, A. her second

Husband, in Consideration thereof, settled a Jointure of 600 *l.* per Ann. Afterwards a Loss of 12000 *l.* befell the Freeman's Estate; and tho' the Wife was dead, and it was urged, that the second Husband was a Purchaser of her Fortune, yet decreed, that the Daughters should have a proportionable Recompence out of the 6000 *l.*

Thereupon by Articles reciting a Marriage intended to be had between her and Sir Bennet Hoskins; and that it was computed her Fortune upon the Account would come out to be 6000 *l.* Sir Bennet in Consideration thereof, agrees to settle upon her by Way of Jointure 600 *l.* per Ann. for Life; and she at the same Time makes an Assignment of the Dower she was intitled to, out of Mr. Whitcombe's Real Estate to Trustees in Trust, to make good to Sir Bennet any Loss or Deficiency that might happen to the lessening of her 6000 *l.* Fortune.

The Marriage takes Effect, and Sir Bennet receiving the 6000 *l.* settles 600 *l.* per Ann. on his Wife, for Life,

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purſuant to the Articles; and it happening afterwards, that a Loſs of 12000 *l.* really befell Mr. *Whitcombe's* Perſonal Eſtate, this Bill was now brought by the Daughters, after the Death of my Lady *Hoskins*, and Sir *Bennet*, who ſurvived her, againſt the Defendant, who had taken out Letters of Adminiſtration to Sir *Bennet*, for an Account of his Perſonal Eſtate; and to have a proportionable Recompence thereout, for their Shares of the 6000 *l.* that now as the Caſe fell out, being all the Perſonal Eſtate Mr. *Whitcombe* had left; and it was decreed accordingly by my Lord *Harcourt* to a general Account; but afterwards on a Rehearing his Lordſhip varied that Decree, and directed an Account of the Perſonal Eſtate (excluſive of the 6000 *l.*) from which Decree the Plaintiffs now appealing to my Lord Chancellor *Comper*,

It was inſiſted upon for the Plaintiffs, that they ought to have an Account of the Perſonal Eſtate at large; that if they ſhould not have this Account, they would be intirely defeated of their Portions; that this 6000 *l.* was all that was left; and Sir *Bennet* having Notice that it was ſubject to an Account, ought to be affected with it, eſpecially as this Caſe is, where he has provided himſelf with a Recompence, in Caſe of any Loſs or Deficiency, that otherwiſe it would be in the Power of any Woman, who was an Executrix, to give away all her Teſtator's Aſſets with herſelf in Marriage, and ſo defeat Truſt Creditors of their Debts, the Conſequence whereof would be, that none from henceforth would run that Hazard, and ſo no Women would be made Executors; that tho' Sir *Bennet* is in the Nature of a Purchaſor of this 6000 *l.* by his Settlement, yet he appears to be a Purchaſor with full Notice; and therefore his Aſſets ought to be liable to the Plaintiff's Satisfaction, and cited 2 *Vent.* 360. *Hodges and Waddington.*

On the other Side, it was argued by Mr. *Vernon* and others, that if an Executrix commits a Devaſtavit, and marries, the Huſband ſhall be liable, even at Law, during the

the Coverture, to make it good; but after her Death no Suit can be maintained against him at Law, whatever Fortune he had with her; that in Equity indeed it has been held, that any Specifick Assets of the Wife's Testator may be followed in the Hands of the Husband after her Death; so for any Thing which he has meerly in Right of his Wife, he shall be liable in this Court, so far as that extends, to make good any Devastavit committed by his Wife before Marriage; but for the Fortune at large of the Wife, it was never yet carried so far, as to charge the Husband on Account thereof, after her Death, especially where the Husband, as in this Case was a Purchasor of his Wife's Fortune, for a valuable Consideration, by making a Settlement on her; that if the Wife before Marriage had sold these Tallies and Orders to any Stranger, and wasted the Money, the Plaintiffs could never have come against the Purchasor for a Recompence; that the Husband was equally a Purchasor in this Case, and ought not to be affected by this accidental Loss, which has since happened in Mr. *Whitcombe's* Assets; that if it were otherwise, there would be no dealing with an Executor; and where a Woman was made Executrix, she must never expect to marry.

But my Lord Chancellor said, that Sir *Bennet Hoskins* taking Notice in the very Articles, that this very 6000 *l.* was part of her first Husband's Personal Estate, and that too, upon an Account open and unliquidated, he comes in as a Purchasor thereof, subject and liable to that Account, and can be intitled to it no otherwise; he does not take it as a stated liquidated Sum whereto his Wife was intitled; but as so much as upon the Account might be coming to her; and therefore takes it subject to the Event of that Account, and has accordingly provided himself of a Recompence, in Case it should fall out to be less; and therefore he thought, that the second Decree which excluded the 6000 *l.* out of the Account was wrong; and that the first Decree was right, and ought to stand.

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But Mr. *Vernon* seemed to be much dissatisfied with this Decree, and apprehended the Consequence of it might be very dangerous to Persons who should deal with Executors for the Purchase of their Testator's Assets; but my Lord *Chancellor* said, that Inference could not be made from this Decree, which was founded wholly on the Circumstances of the Case.

*Note*, A Case was cited, when this *Chancellor* had the Seals before, where an Executor being possessed of a Term for Years in Right of his Testator; and being indebted to one in a Sum of Money on his own Account, agreed with his Creditor for the Sale of this Term; and that the Debt should be discounted out of the Purchase Money; and yet upon a Bill brought against him by the Creditors of the Testator, he was not allowed to sink his own Debt, but was decreed to pay the Money, because he purchased with full Notice; that this was a Testamentary Estate, and nothing came into the Executor's Hands as an Equivalent for it, to make up the *Quantum* of the Testator's Assets.

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## Term. S. Trinitatis,

1716.

IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Stanhope versus Thacker.*

Case 284.

**G**ilbert Thacker, the Father of Gilbert Thacker his Son, on the Marriage of the Son, by Indentures of Lease and Release, in the Year 1670, convey certain Lands to Trustees and their Heirs, to the Use of Gilbert the Father for Life, then to Jane his Wife for Life, Remainder to Gilbert the Son for 99 Years, if he should so long live, Remainder to Trustees and their Heirs during his Life, to support Contingent Remainders, Remainder to the intended Wife for Life, for her Jointure, Remainder to the first and other Sons of that Marriage in Tail Male successively, Remainder to the Daughter and Daughters of that Marriage, and the Heirs of their Bodies, 'till they shall out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits of the said Premises, have raised and received the Sum of 3000 *l.* and after the said Sum raised, or in Case there be no such Daughter or Daughters; then to the Heirs of the Body of Gilbert the Son, Remainder to Francis Thacker,

Father and Son on the Son's Marriage, by Lease and Release, convey Lands to Trustees and their Heirs, to the Use of the Father for Life, Remainder to his Wife for Life, Remainder to the Son for 99 Years, if he should so long live, Remainder to Trustees during his Life, to support Contingent Remainders, Remainder to the Son's intended Wife for Life, for her Jointure, Re-

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mainder to the first, and every other Son of that Marriage in Tail Male, Remainder to the Daughter or Daughters of that Marriage, and the Heirs of their Bodies, 'till they shall, out of the Rents, Issues and Profits, have received 3000 *l.* Remainder to the Heirs of the Body of the Son, Remainder to the second Son of the Father, and to his first and other Sons, Remainder to the Right Heirs of the Son for ever. There were Issue of the Marriage only two Daughters, who being in Possession after all the particular Precedent Estates determined, suffer a Common Recovery, and it was held, that this was no Bar of the subsequent Remainders, the Limitation to them being only a Security, 'till the 3000 *l.* was raised.



*Thacker*, the second Son of old *Gilbert*, and to his first and other Sons in Tail Male successively; and so in like Manner to *John Thacker*, a third Son of old *Gilbert*; and to his first and other Sons in Tail Male successively, Remainder to the Right Heirs of *Gilbert Thacker* the Son for ever.

The Marriage takes Effect, and they have Issue only two Daughters, who being in Possession, after all the other Estates determined, which were precedent, suffer a Common Recovery to the Use of themselves and their Heirs, and one Question in this Case was, Whether by this Recovery the Remainders were not barred.

And it was argued, that they were, because the primary Intention of this Limitation, was to make them Tenants in Tail; and the raising of the 3000 *l.* was but the Secondary Intention thereof; and when they being so Tenants in Tail, suffer a Common Recovery, this bars their Estate Tail, and the Remainders depending thereon; and for this was cited and relied on a Case in Point, *Benson and Hudson*, 1 *Mod.* 108, to 112, and the several Cases there put by my Lord Chief Justice *Hale*.

But as to this Point my Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, both upon the first speaking to it, and the next Day after, that this was but in the Nature of a Security for the 3000 *l.* and tho' the Recovery barred the Estate Tail, and Remainders at Law, yet the Daughters were but in the Nature of Trustees, after the 3000 *l.* raised, for those in Remainder; that before the Recovery, they had but an Estate Tail for their Security for that Sum, that now after the Recovery they had the Fee-Simple; but still the same in a Court of Equity was but a Security, 'till that Money raised; that those in the Remainder had the Equity of Redemption in the same Manner as the Person who made that Security would have had, if no such Limitation in Remainder had been; that therefore they might at any Time, by paying off that 3000 *l.* determine the Estate of the Daughters, and then the Daughters would be but Trustees for them; that this

this 3000*l.* being to be raised out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits, if the Ordinary or Annual Rents and Profits of the Lands would not raise the Money in a convenient Time to answer the Intent of the Settlement, which was to provide Portions for the Daughters; that in a Court of Equity the same might be decreed to be raised by a Sale or Mortgage thereof, which were the extraordinary Profits of the same Lands; and tho' in this Case the Daughters had been in Possession of those Lands for some Time, and received the Rents and Profits thereof, yet they might still supply any Deficiency in the raising of these Portions by Mortgage or Sale, and the Rents and Profits already received should be applied, in the first Place towards the Interest of the 3000*l.* and the Residue received towards the Principal, and what should fall short to be made up by a Sale or Mortgage; otherwise, if they should be confined to raise the 3000*l.* out of the Annual Rents and Profits, only they would be eating out their Portions, and might never have any Sum adequate to the Provision intended to them.

Another Point in this Case was, Whether the Remainder to the Heirs of the Body of *Gilbert* the Son, and the last Remainder to the Right Heirs of the said *Gilbert*, should vest in such Heirs of the Body, or Right Heirs by Purchase; for it seems the two other Sons of old *Gilbert* were dead, without Issue.

And it was argued it should, because *Gilbert* the Son taking but an Estate for Years, and the Remainder being limited expressly to Trustees and their Heirs, during his Life; that the Remainder must vest in the Heirs, or Heirs of his Body by Purchase, he having no Estate of Freehold.

But on the other Side it was argued, that the Son joined with his Father, and therefore it was to be presumed that the Father had but an Estate for Life; and that the Inheritance moved from the Son, and then it was his old Reversion in him; and upon this Occasion were cited the Case of *Fenwick* and *Mitford*, 2 Co. 91. Co.



*Co. Lit. 22 b. and Pibus and Mitford, 1 Mod. 98*, that a Man cannot make his Heirs, or Heirs of his Body Purchasors, without departing with the whole Fee-Simple; that here he had not so done, because having but an Estate for Years, the old Estate for Life continued in him; and being coupled with the Remainder to the Heirs of his Body, and that to his Right Heirs, must necessarily derive the Estate to them by Descent.

But to this it was replied, that the Estate being limited to Trustees during his Life, entirely varied this Case from those which had been cited; that this Sort of Limitation was not thought of at the Time of those other Cases, but was entirely new, and found out long after; that by Reason thereof he could not be said to have any resulting or old Use during his Life; and that it had been so adjudged in the Case of *Tippin and Cosuns*, by my Lord Chief Justice *Holt*, and all the Court, which Case is reported in *4 Mod. 380*; tho' the Judgment is not there mentioned.

But this being meerly a Point of Law, and it not appearing, whether *Gilbert* the Son had any, or what Estate, tho' he joined in the Conveyance, whether an Estate Tail with a Reversion to old *Gilbert* in Fee, or whether he had a Remainder in Fee, or what other Estate:

My Lord Chancellor order'd an Ejectment to be brought, and on a special finding of this Matter, the Question to be argued and determined at Law, and said, that he thought it a very nice Point.

*Note*, The very same Point came in Question before my Lord Chancellor *Harcourt*, in the Case of *Ewer and Howard*, but was not determined.

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## Termino S. Mich.

1716.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Sympson* versus *Hornsby*.

Case 285.

**T**HE Question in this Case arose upon the Will of one *Thomas Addifon*, who having a Wife, and only two Daughters, devised Lands in several Towns to his Wife for Life, for her Jointure; and afterwards towards the Close of his Will devises all his Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments in those Towns, after the Death of his dear Wife, to his Daughter *Bridget*, and the Heirs Males of her Body; and for want of such Issue, to his Daughter *Jane*, (who was his eldest, but had disobliged him by marrying improvidently) and her Assigns, during her natural Life; and after her Death, to her first and other Sons in Tail Male successively, with several Remainders over: *Bridget* dies in her Father's Life Time, leaving Issue a Son, whom the Grandfather took to his own House, and expressed much Kindness for; afterwards the Grandfather makes a *Codicil*, which began thus, *a Codicil to be annexed to my Will*, and by that he gives some Part of a Leasehold Estate (which by his Will was given to his Daughter *Bridget*) to her Son, adds another Trustee for some Charities he had given by his Will, and then duly

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executed this Codicil; but the Codicil was not actually annexed to his Will, so that the Execution of that could not amount to a Republication of his Will; and now the Questions were,

1<sup>st</sup>, Whether the Wife took an Estate for Life in the Lands remaining undisposed of by Implication. 2<sup>dly</sup>, Whether the Son of *Bridget* could take at all.

An Heir at Law cannot be disinherited but by a strong and necessary Implication.

As to the first Point, the Court seemed pretty clear, that the Wife took no Estate for Life by Implication, because the Implication which shall disinherit an Heir at Law, must be necessary; and here was no necessary Implication, tho' the Daughters were Heirs, because it may be intended to extend only to those Lands which were before expressly devised to the Wife for Life, that they should not have them till after her Death; but for the others, they should go to them immediately, and therefore, the Will shall be taken distributively according to the Case of *Cock and Gerrard*, 1 *Saund.* 180, 1 *Lev.* 212.

Devise of Lands to A. and the Heirs Male of his Body. A. dies in the Life Time of the Testator, leaving Issue; the Devise is void, and the Issue cannot take.

As to the second Point, it was argued, that the Son of *Bridget* could take nothing in this Case, that as in *Brett* and *Rigden's* Case, the Word Heirs was only to denote the Quantity of the Estate; so in this Case the Words Heirs Males of her Body, were only to express the Quantity likewise, that is, in the one Case the Devisee was intended to take a Fee-Simple, so in this Case the Devisee was intended to take a Fee-Tail, and in neither Case were the Word Heirs or Heirs Males of the Body, any Description or Designation of the Person who was to take by Purchase; that in Case of such a Devise in Fee the first Taker might immediately dispose of, and give it away from his Heirs, so might the Devisee in this Case too by proper Conveyances; that this Point has been settled long since in *Hartopp's* Case, in *Cro. Eliz.* 243; that this was held clear likewise in my Lord *Lansdown's* Case, lately in the *King's-Bench*, where my Lord of *Bath* devised Lands to *Bernard Granville*, and the Heirs Males of his Body, and *Bernard* dying in the Life Time of the Testator,

Testator, leaving Issue Male, the Testator my Lord of Bath, afterwards made a Codicil, and the Will and Codicil, both lying together upon the Table, my Lord took up the Codicil, and said, this was his Will, and then published and executed it in the Presence of three Witnesses, and when he had done, put both the Will and Codicil together in a Box; and yet in that Case it was held, that this making of the Codicil was no Republication of the Will being not affixed together; and then the Heirs Males of the Body of *Bernard Granville* could not take, no more can they in this Case neither; that admitting the making such Codicil might amount to a Republication of the Will, yet whilst the Words of the Will continued as they were, the Heirs Male of the Body could not take, no more than a Grandson could take, as Son, by such Republication; according to the Case of *Steed and Berries*, 1 Vent. 341. 2 Mod. 313, that a Codicil was a distinct Instrument of itself; and if the making of that should amount to a Republication of the Will, it would entirely elude the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*; that in Lord *Lansdown's* Case, indeed, upon the Importunity of great Council a special Verdict was directed to be found, tho' the Court were clear of their Opinion as to the Point; and that Case was afterwards agreed by the Parties, that in 1 Sid. 53, 78-9, a like Devise to four Daughters was held void for a fourth Part, by the Death of one of the Daughters, in the Life Time of the Testator; and so was likewise the Case of *Popham and Bamfield* in this Court.

My Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, that the Codicil in this Case could not help them; but he said the Construction of Law in those Cases was extremely rigid and severe; that the Testator in this Case most certainly meant, that *Jane* should have nothing whilst there remain'd any Issue Male of *Bridget*; that he would consider of the Will, and if any Thing could be found to distinguish this Case from those which have been cited, he would give Relief for a Moiety; but if not, the

Making a Codicil and annexing it to the Will, no Republication of the Will.



the Cases were too strong, and he must submit to be bound by them; and afterwards gave his Decree accordingly, which *Vid. Inf.*

Case 286.

*Brown versus Barkham.*

A. Devises Lands in Trust after Debts paid, to convey the Premises to the Heirs Male of the Body of B. the Testator's Great Grandfather C. is the Heir Male of the Body of B. but not Heir general, there being a Daughter of an elder Brother, who is Heir general. Whether the Trustees are to convey to C. as C. would be well intitled to take as Heir Male by descent, so he is sufficiently described to take by Purchase.

SIR Edward Barkham being seised in Fee of the Lands in Question, by his Will, dated the 19th of January 1700, devises all his Estate to Sir William Masingberd and Dymoke Walpole, and their Heirs, in Trust to sell the same, or so much as would be sufficient to pay his Debts and Legacies; and after Payment thereof, directed his said Trustees to convey the Residue of his Estate to his Cousin Robert Barkham, and the Heirs Males of his Body; and for want of such Heirs Males, to the Heirs Males of the Body of Sir Robert Barkham, his Great Grandfather; and for want of such Heirs Male, to his own Right Heirs for ever; and gave to his Sister Mrs. Newcomen 2000 L. to be put out at Interest by his Trustees during her Life, and after her Death to be paid to her eldest Son; but if no Son, then 1000 L. was to go to her Executors or Administrators; and the other 1000 L. to his said Cousin Robert Barkham, or his Heirs Male; and after some other Legacies, gives all the Residue of his Personal Estate to his second Son Robert Barkham, and made him sole Executor; but if it happened that the said Robert was not in England at the Time of his Death, then he made the said Trustees Executors in Trust for him, 'till he should return; but in Case the said Robert should die before he returned, then he made his Heir Male sole Executor, and gave him all his Personal Estate, and soon after died without Issue. Robert Barkham the Cousin, died without Issue in Spain before the Testator; and now the Question arose upon this Will, Whether Edward Barkham, who was Heir Male of the Body of the Great Grandfather, or Mrs Newcomen, who was Sister and Heir of Sir Edward Barkham the Testator,

Testator, and likewise Heir general of the Great Grandfather, had the better Title.

It was argued by Sir Thomas Powis, that *Edward* being living, and no Notice taken of him, it was plain the Testator never intended he should have it in the same Manner with his Brother *Robert*; that the 2000 *l.* was only a Recompence for the present Devise of the Estate Tail to *Robert*, and not to be carried as a Recompence throughout to the last Remainder, that that was only to go to those who fully came within that Description, that the Word Heirs, is either to denote the Person who is to take, and then it is *vice Nominis*, or it is to express the Quantity of Estate, that is, to pass, and *Hob. 31*, he that will take as Heir Male by Purchase, must not only be Male, but Heir too; and said, the principal Case of *Cownden and Clerk*, in *Hob.* and the Case of *Aspenhurst* cited at the End of that Case, were directly in Point; that without all Question it was so in a Limitation by Deeds, and had always been held to be the same in Wills, that in *1 Co. Archer's Case*, it was held to be plainly a Contingent Remainder to the next Heir Male of *Robert Archer*, and not such a Description of his Person, as to vest it in him presently, for then it could never have been destroy'd by the Feoffment of the Father, and *2 Leon. 70. Challoner and Bowyer* comes up directly to our Case, and shows, that the same Construction has prevailed in a Will, as well as in a Deed; that in the Case of *Burchett and Durdant*, *1 Vent. 334*, if it had not been for the Words *now living*, it would have been a plain Contingent Remainder; and so the Judges in that Case agreed, and cited the Case of *Goodright and Cornish*, *4 Mod. 255*, to the same Purpose; and that in the Case of *Beaumont and Long*, the Words begotten were held Equivalent to the Words now living, and amounted to a Description of the Person; that there was a wide Difference between the Words, and for want of such Issue, and the Words for want of his Heirs Male; that in the first Case, the Word Issue was an Explanation and Cor-

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rection of the general Import of the Words Heirs of the Body ; but in the last Case the same Words being still used, none could claim, who was not compleatly Heir Male by Purchase ; that in this Case he seemed to have done with *Robert's* Family, when he had limited it him, and the Heirs Male of his Body, and that he intended it should go as the Law directed.

*Lechmere*, to the same Intent, that the 2000 *l.* given to *Mrs. Newcomen*, could only be a Recompence for the Estate Tail limited to *Robert* ; that he only postponed his Heirs for the Sake of *Robert*, and his Issue Male ; and whenever they failed, his Heirs must come in ; that indeed of late Days, Limitations of this Kind have been carried much farther than in ancient Times, but he thought they ought not to be carried any farther ; for that would shake a great many Settlements, and destroy the Peace and Quiet of many Families ; that the Case of *Burchett* and *Durdant*, was the first Case that made any Alteration in the Construction of Devises of this Kind, and said in *Mandivill's Case*, *Co. Litt. 26 b.* it was held quite otherwise ; that there was a great deal of Difference between a linial Heir Male, and a collateral Heir Male ; and that no Case had been carried so far as to let in a collateral Heir Male, unless he was compleatly such ; that in the Case of *Burchett* and *Durdant*, the whole Stress and Foundation of the Resolution, went upon the Words, *now living*, which they held to amount to the same as *Heir Apparent* ; and yet that Case was strongly opposed, and underwent a very great Litigation ; that in the Case of *Beaumont* and *Long*, the Words *then begotten* were held of the same Force, as the Words *now living* were in the other Case ; and that Case went on, *and for want of such Issue*, which were plainly explanatory, and shewed, that the Word Heirs was meant the Issue of his Aunt *Long* ; but here it is, *and for want of such Heirs Male*, which still preserves the Notion of a legal Heir ; and then to take by Purchase, he must be both Heir and Male, which in this Case he is not ; that the

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Cafe of *Cownden* and *Clerk* had been always cited on these Occasions, and was never yet denied to be Law; that my Lord *Hobart* in that Cafe was clear of Opinion, that the Statute *de donis*, was only to preserve the Descent to the Heirs Male of the Body, not to direct their taking by way of Purchase. That in *Co. Lit.* 26 b. 164 a. if a Man has a Son and a Daughter, and the Lands are given to the Daughter, and the Heirs Males of the Body of the Father, and the Heirs Females of the Body of the Father, she takes only an Estate for Life, and the other Limitation is void, because she ought to be both Heir and Female to take by Purchase, which in that Cafe she is not, the Brother being Heir.

On the other Side it was argued by Sir *Joseph Jekyll*, that there could be no sound Reason assigned for the Difference between the Heir Male taking by Descent, and when he was to take by Purchase; that at Common Law, before the Statute *de donis*, such Limitations were taken Notice of, and allowed to be good; that in a Will, the Intent of the Testator, who was supposed to be *incept Concillii*, was always to be regarded; that in the Cafe of *Pybus* and *Misford*, my Lord *Hale* was of Opinion, that if the Heir Male, by the second *Venter* could not have taken by Descent, that he might take by Purchase; that the Cafe of *Beaumont* and *Long* was a Cafe in Point for them, tho' indeed this was a much stronger Cafe; for there the Personal Legacies given to the Heirs at Law, were given but once; but here the 2000*l.* is limited to the Heir, so as in some Sort to resemble Land, for it was to go to her eldest Son, if any; and if not, then to her Executors, &c. that there was no Difference between the Limitation for want of such Issue, and for want of such Heirs, that in neither Cafe could it be carried further than the Words of Limitation imported, and so it was held in *Dyer* 171. *Frensham's* Cafe, that the Words then begotten in *Beaumont's* Cafe, would be of no Weight to direct that Resolution; for my Lord  
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Coke tells us, in his first Institute 120, *Procreatis* and *Procreandis* are the same.

*Attorney-General*, to the same Intent, that if this had been an Estate Tail in Sir Robert the Great Grandfather, there could have been no Doubt the Defendant would have taken as Heir Male of his Body; that in this Case the Intent of the Testator was plain to exclude his Heir General, that he had sufficiently provided for her, by giving her 2000 l. that the Meaning of the Books, which say, the Word Heir is not a good Name of Purchase is no more, than that it is not a sufficient Description of the Person who is to take; but if by any Circumstances he is so described as to notify who is meant, then it is a sufficient Name of Purchase; and so is the Opinion of my Lord *Anderson*, in his Report of *Shelly's Case*; that the Limitation to the Heirs Male of the Body of one who was dead, was *quasi* an Estate Tail in the dead Person; that taking of it in that Sense, would reconcile all the Differences, and answer all the Difficulties that had been objected against it; and that it was to be taken in this Sense, he cited 2 *Leon.* 23, 27. *Cro. Eliz.* 108-9. *Lit. Lect.* 30. *Cro. Car.* 24. *Hodgkinson and Wood*, 1 *Mod.* 226, and 2 *Mod.* 207, the Case of *Southcote and Stowell*, that this differed from the Case of *Cownden and Clerk*, for the Heirs Male were not limited or mentioned to be of his Body, as in this Case, and said, the Case 16 *Eliz.* at the End of *Pybus and Mitford*, 12 *Vent.* was a Case in Point for them.

Mr. *Cowper* to the same Intent, he thought the Distinction taken by Mr. *Attorney-General* would reconcile all Differences, and destroy all the Fictions of the Law against them, that it would take away all Uncertainty in the Description of the Person, and carry on the Descent as the Testator intended it; that if this Notion of its being an Estate Tail in the Great Grandfather, were but a Fiction, yet it might well be made Use of to destroy another Fiction, which excluded the Heir Male from taking.

Sir *Robert Raymond* to the same Intent, that generally speaking a Limitation to the Heirs Males, or Heirs Females of such a one will carry it only to those who are compleatly such; but where there are any Words that will amount to a Description of the Person, so as to shew whom he meant by those Words, there it will be sufficient, tho' he be not Heir Male, or Female, in a strict legal Construction, especially where the Heirs General are excluded, as in this Case. As to the Objection, that the 2000 *l.* was a Recompence only for the Loss of the first Estate Tail, he said, it must be taken as a Recompence for the Whole; for the Defendant *Newcomen* could no more take under the Limitation to the Heirs Male of the Body of the Great Grandfather, than he could under the first Limitation to *Robert* in Tail; and therefore the Recompence must be supposed to extend to the Whole, and cited a Case of *Baker and Wall*, in *C. B. Pasch. 4. W. Rot. 1484*, that a Person may take as Special Heir where the Intent is manifest to exclude the Heir General.

Mr. *Vernon* to the same Intent, that the Will of the Testator was to be observed as far as it might be; that it was here in the Case of a Trust which this Court had the Direction of; that they had sometimes varied from the Rules of Law; and when they had so done, the Courts of Law, from the Inconveniencies that would otherwise follow, had come into the Rules of the Courts of Equity, as in the Settlements of Terms for Years beyond a Person's Life, and so they might in this Case.

Mr. *Williams* on the same Side put this Case, If a Man has Issue two Sons, *A.* and *B.* and *A.* has Issue a Daughter, and the Grandfather devises a Rent Charge out of his Estate to the Daughter of *A.* and then devises the Estate to his Heir Male; no Doubt the second Son shall take, tho' the Daughter is Heir, and said, they came into this Court only to know how the Estate should be settled.

*Lechmere* by way of Reply said, that the Notion advanced by Mr. Attorney-General, that the Heir Male of

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the Body of the Great Grandfather should be in, *quasi* by Descent from him, was entirely new, and was attended with very great Inconveniencies; for then laying *Edward Barkham* quite out of the Case, suppose the Sister had been dead, leaving a Son, he would be compleatly Heir and Male too, and yet he could never take, because derived through a Female; and if *Edward Barkham* was to bring a *Formedon* in this Case, he could not lay the *Esplees* in his Great Grandfather, and cited *Litt. Sect. 30*, and my Lord *Coke's* Opinion thereon, and the Case of *Mandeville* there cited.

Lord Chancellor. This Will is perfectly Executory, a Conveyance is still to be made, and they come into this Court to direct the Manner of it; suppose *Edward* had been Heir and Heir Male of the Body of the Great Grandfather, the Conveyance could never be made in the very Words of the Will, for then he could not take at all; it's like the Case of Marriage Articles for Settlement of an Estate on the Husband, and Heirs Male of his Body; yet when they come into this Court for a Specifick Execution, the Court models the Settlement, so as to make it effectual, and will give the Husband but an Estate for Life. The Special Heir Male in this Case was certainly within the Testator's Intention to take; but as it had been so solemnly argued, he would take Time to look into the Books before he would give his Opinion; but said, he was strongly of Opinion for *Edward* the Special Heir Male, and thought that the Settlement ought to be made to him, and the Heirs Male of the Body of the Great Grandfather.

*Vid. Postea.*

## Lord Pawlet versus Parry.

Case 287.

**T**HE Defendant's Father, by his Will, in 1702, devises as follows: As to the Disposal of my Estate, I give and devise the same as followeth; and then he devises several Lands of about 400 *l. per Ann.* being the Bulk of his Estate, to his Son *Charles* the Defendant, who was his Heir, and to the Heirs Male of his Body; and for want of such Issue, to three other of his Sons in Tail Male successively, with Remainder to his own Right Heirs, then he gives some Copper Mines, and other Estates, to his Son *Charles* in Trust, to be sold for the Payment of his Debts; and after, gives to his Daughter (with whom the Plaintiff had intermarried) 30 *l. a Year* 'till she should attain her Age of 12 Years, and after 50 *l. a Year* 'till she should be married, and gives her 1500 *l.* Marriage Portion to be paid her by his said Son *Charles*, within three Months after such Marriage, makes his Son *Charles* Executor, and dies; and this Bill was now brought to subject the Real Estate in the Hands of the Defendant *Charles*, to the Payment of this Legacy; it was agreed, that there was no express Clause in the Will to that Purpose.

A Man makes his Will in the following Manner: As to the Disposal of my Worldly Estate, I give and devise, &c. and then gives his Lands to his eldest Son in Tail, Remainder to his three other Sons in Tail, and devises Copper Mines and other Estates to his eldest Son, to be sold for Payment of his Debts, and gives his Daughter 1500 *l.* there not being Personal Estate sufficient to pay this Legacy, whether Real Estate, by the Words of this Will shall be charged therewith?

It was argued, that these Words tantamount, that he begins with the Disposal of his Estate, which must be intended all his Estate, as well Real as Personal; that the Word Estate more properly denoted his Real Estate than his Personal; that this Legacy was expressly devised to be paid by his Son *Charles*, who had both his Real and Personal Estate; and therefore, in defect of one, the other must stand charged in his Hands to make it up; that it was in Behalf of a Daughter, who would otherwise be unprovided for; and tho' the Estate was devised to his Son *Charles* in Tail, yet that could make no Difference, for it was a Charge that run along with the Estate, and bound it in whose Hands soever it came; and they

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cited a Case between *Glentley* and *Pelham* the 19th of December 1686, and a Case of *Sherwood* and *Sherwood* at the *Rolls*.

On the other Side it was argued, that here was no Intent to Charge this Estate with the Payment of this 1500 *l.* that if it should be so taken, the Devise to his Son *Charles* in Tail, must be sole, for he must suffer a Common Recovery, and make himself Tenant in Fee, in Order to raise it; that this would entirely destroy all the Remainders to his other Sons, and so frustrate the Devise to them, which he could never be supposed to intend by this Devise of 1500 *l.* to his Daughter, being all in the same Will; that the Cases wherein such Charge had been allowed on Lands, were where the Charge was expressly mentioned in the same Clause, as a Devise to his Son in Tail, desiring him, or to the Intent, that he should pay his Legacies; that it could not be pretended those Lands were charged to the Payment of his Debts, for he had made an express Provision for them out of another Part of his Estate; that if he had intended to have charged his Lands with this Legacy, he would have made an express Devise for that Purpose, and that no Case had ever been carried so far as was now contended for.

My Lord *Chancellor* said, those last Arguments were of much more Weight with him, than what had been offered on the other Side; that he should desire to see the Precedents in Black and White; that they often came out different from what they were cited; that there was a Sort of Inclination in each Side to make the Precedents generally speak for them; that he did not speak this by way of Censure, but commended it as the best Means to come at the Justice of a Cause, because there were learned Men on the other Side to set them right; that unless the Precedents were very strong, he could see no Reason to Charge the Lands in this Case, and therefore ordered them to be searched; but in the mean Time sent it to a Master to take an Account of the Personal Estate, to see if on a probable Computation there was sufficient of the

Personal Estate at the making of the Will to have answered the Legacy.

*Wainright versus Bendlows.*

Case 288.

A Man by his Will devised all his Fee Farm Rents in the County of *Northumberland* to two Trustees, and their Heirs in Trust, to sell for Payment of his Debts, and the Residue of the Money arising thereby, he devises to his two Sons, equally to be divided between them; then he gives several of his Goods to go along with his Estate as *Heir-Looms*, and devises all the Residue of his Stock, Goods, and Chattels to his Sister, the Defendant, whom he made sole Executrix; and this Bill was brought to subject the Personal Estate in the first Place to the Payment of Debts in Ease and Exoneration of the Real Estate devised for that Purpose.

Where the Testator makes a particular Provision out of his Real Estate for the Payment of his Debts, the Personal Estate shall not be liable to them.

And it was urged, that this was the constant Course of this Court, and cited my Lady *Gainsborough's Case*; and a Case of *Cost and Moor*, upon the Earl of *Meath's Will*, and a Case of *Chichester versus French*.

On the other Side it was argued, that here was an express Fund devised for the Payment of his Debts; that there was a great deal of Difference between a bare Charge on his Real Estate for Payment of his Debts, as by a Devise of a Term thereout for that Purpose, and the Case in Question; that here he had given his Lands out and out, and had parted with them for ever, so that he never intended any of them should remain in his Family; that these Lands were now to be looked upon as Money, and consequently in a Court of Equity were Part of his Personal Estate, and so had been held in *Roper and Ratcliff's Case* upon the Popish Act of 11 W. 3. about two Years ago, and other Cases, that the Residue of his Goods, Chattels, and Stock, must be intended the Residue of those which were not specifically devised as *Heir-Looms*; and 1 Lev. 203, there is an express Difference between a bare Charge on his Real Estate, and where it

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is devised, as in this Case, to be sold for the Payment of his Debts.

My Lord Chancellor was clear of this Opinion, and decreed, that the Personal Estate was not liable to the Debts in this Case.

Case 289.

### Sympson versus Hornsby.

*Vid. ante.*  
If a Man by Will impowers his Wife to dispose of his Personal Estate, with the Consent of the Trustees, the Wife without such Consent cannot by her Will devise it, and therefore the Husband as to that Part is dead Intestate.

**M**Y Lord Chancellor having taken Time to consider of this Case, did now deliver his Opinion, by which it appeared, that the Testator by his Codicil had given his Personal Estate to such Uses, as his Wife, with the Consent of his Trustees, should direct; and the Wife had taken upon her to dispose of it by her Will, without any such Consent, which my Lord Chancellor said was a void Disposition, and the Testator as to that must be said to die Intestate, *ab initio*, and ordered a Distribution accordingly.

As to the other Points, he was of Opinion, that the Wife took no Estate for Life by Implication, for he had in the foregoing Part of his Will devised several Lands to her for Life, for her Jointure, and in full of all Claims and Demands whatsoever, both in Law and Equity; and when he after Devises, after the Death of his Wife, all his Lands, Tenements, Rents, Reversions, Profits, and Hereditaments whatsoever (not before disposed of) to his Daughter, &c. this shall be taken distributively, that is to say, all the Lands which he had before given his Wife, to go to his Daughter after her Death, and all other his Lands, not before devised, to his Daughter immediately; and to make any other Construction on these general Words, would be absurd, when he had before in such full and express Words provided for his Wife besides; that in no Case an Heir at Law is to be disinherited by Implication, unless it be necessary, which in this Case it is not.

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And as to the other Point he said, he looked into the Books, and found it already settled, that *Bridget* dying in the Life-Time of the Testator, the Heirs Male of her Body could not take by Purchase, for these Words were inserted to express the Quantity of the Estate; but if this were perfectly *res integra*, he thought it plainly the Intention of the Testator, that *Jane* should not take till there was a failure of Issue Male of *Bridget*, for so he thought the Words, *and for want of such Issue* fully imported; but since it had been so often resolved otherwise, he was now bound by these Resolutions, as it was merely a Point of Law; but since it was so, and an Heir at Law disinherited as to a Moiety, he would decree no Account of the Rents and Profits, there being no Infant in the Case, but left them to their Remedy at Law, by Entry and Ejectment, and said, it would be very unequitable to assist them in this Case.

It was afterwards moved for some further Directions touching the Disposition of the Surplus of the Personal Estate, and mentioned the Case of *Britton* and *Vachell*, where Mr. *Britton* having several Children, gave to his eldest Son (who had disabled him) 10 s. and no more, and gave his Executor a Legacy, and made no Disposition of the Surplus; and it was decreed at the Rolls, that the eldest Son should be let into his Distributary Part with the rest of the Children; but this Decree was reversed in the House of Lords, upon the express Words of the Will, which excluded the eldest Son from any more than his 10 s. but the Court said, this was nothing like the present Case, which depended on other Circumstances, and accordingly the Decree was settled.



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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 290.

Lord *Bernard's* Case.

A Court of Equity will not only grant an Injunction to stay Tenant for Life, without Impeachment of Waste, from defacing the Mansion-House; but will likewise oblige him to put it in the same Plight.

**L**ORD *Bernard* was Tenant for Life, without Impeachment of Waste; and this Bill was brought against him by those in Remainder, for an Injunction to stay his committing of Waste, and by the Proofs in the Cause it appeared, that he had almost totally defaced the Mansion-House, by pulling down great Part, and was going on entirely to ruin it; whereupon the Court not only granted an Injunction against him, to stay his committing further Waste; but also ordered a Commission to issue to six Commissioners, whereof he to have Notice, and to appoint three on his Part; or in Default thereof, the six Commissioners to be named *ex parte*, to take a View, and to make a Report of the Waste committed; and that he should be obliged to rebuild, and put it in the same Plight and Condition it was at the Time of his Entry thereon; and it was said, that the like Injunctions had frequently been granted in this Court; and that the Clauses of *without Impeachment of Waste* never were extended to allow the very Destruction of the Estate itself; but only to excuse from Permissive Waste; and therefore such a Clause would

not give leave to fell and cut down the Trees which were for the Ornament or Shelter of a House, much less to destroy or demolish the House; and so it was ruled in my Lord Nottingham's Time, 2 Chan. Cases 32.

### *Humerston versus Hummerston.*

**T**HERE were several Questions in this Case which arose upon the Will of one *Matthew Hummerston*, one whereof was concerning his Intention to perpetuate his Name; for which Purpose he had given a very considerable Estate to the *Drapers Company*, and their Successors for ever, upon Trust to settle the same on such a one of the Name of *Humerston*, for his Life, and after his Death, to his first Son for Life only; and so to the second, and all other his Sons for Life only; and for want of such Issue, then to another of the Name of *Humerston*, for his Life; and so to his first and other Sons for Life only; and for want of such Issue, then to another of the Name of *Humerston*; and so reckoned up about 50 of that Name, to whom he gave only Estates for Life, with like Remainders for Life, to the first and other Sons of each of them respectively, as they should become intitled thereto; and if there were none of that Name to be found in *England*, then the Trustees and others were to choose out the most comely young Man they could find in such a Parish; and he to take upon him the Name of *Humerston*, and then the Estate to be settled on him for Life, with several Limitations over in the like Manner, without limiting an Estate in Tail, or in Fee to any of them, or making any Disposition of the Fee.

But both Court and Council held this to be such an Affeclation of a Perpetuity, that nothing was said in support of it, only the Limitations for Life to the several Persons *in esse* were held good, and a Settlement decreed to be made accordingly, *viz.* to the first *Humerston*

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Case 291.  
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named in the Will for Life, Remainder to Trustees during his Life, to support Contingent Remainders; with Remainder to his first Son, and the Heirs Males of his Body; and so to the second Son in like Manner; and for want of such Issue, to the others in Remainder successively in like Manner; and it was held clearly, that the Words, *and for want of such Issue* in the Will, would not raise an Estate Tail by Implication to the first *Humerston*, who was to take against such express Limitations to him for Life only, 1 Leon. 256. *Manning and Andrews* was cited.

Case 292.  
2 Vern. 740.  
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*A.* directed his Debts and Legacies to be paid out of the Rents of his Real Estate, and that his Executors should receive the Rents until his Nephew comes to the Age of 25 Years, and to pay the Surplus of the Rents to his Nephew at 25, and devises the Residue of his Personal Estate to his Nephew. The Nephew dies an Infant, the Surplus of the Personal Estate not being given to a Stranger, but to the same Person to whom the Lands were given cannot be taken to be exempt from the Debts.

### *Dolman and Smith.*

**S**IR *Thomas Dolman* by Will the 5th of February 1710, devises all his Household Goods, and Furniture to the Defendant *Sarah Smith*, and 1000 *l.* to the Plaintiff *Dorothy Dolman* his Niece, payable at 25, and likewise 500 *l.* to the Plaintiff *Lewis Dolman*, payable at 25; then he devises all his Manors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, to Trustees and their Heirs in Trust, for the Payment of his Debts, Legacies, and Funeral, and does by Will expressly Charge them with the Payment thereof; then he directs, that his Trustees shall receive the Rents and Profits of his said Estate, 'till his Nephew *Thomas Humphry Dolman* should attain his Age of 25 Years, and thereout to allow him 30 *l.* per Ann. and 20 *l.* per Ann. apiece to the Plaintiffs *Lewis* and *Dorothy*, 'till they should all three attain their respective Ages of 25 Years; then he devises the Residue of the Rents and Profits of the said Estate, together with the said Estate, to his said Nephew *Thomas Humphry Dolman* in Tail Male, Remainder to the Plaintiffs *Lewis* and *Dorothy* in Tail Male successively, Remainder in like Manner to three of the Defendants, with Remainder to the Right Heirs of one of them, who was a Stranger, and no Relation to the Family; then he devises several Things to go along with his Estate, as *Heir Looms*; and afterwards devises all the

rest and residue of his Goods, Chattels, and Personal Estate before unbequeathed to his said Nephew *Thomas Humphry Dolman*, and makes the Trustees his Executors, and dies. *Thomas Humphry Dolman* dies about a Year after, without Issue, being then of the Age of nine Years only, the Plaintiff *Mary* his Mother administer'd to him; and the only Question was, Whether the Personal Estate in this Case belonged to the Administratrix of *Thomas Humphry Dolman*, exempt from Debts, Legacies, and Funeral, or if the Personal Estate should be applied, in the first place towards Satisfaction thereof, notwithstanding this express Charge on the Real Estate for Payment thereof; but which Way soever it was taken, it was agreed the Surplus of the Personal Estate should be subject to Distribution, between the Mother and the Plaintiffs *Lewis* and *Dorothy*.

It was urged for the Plaintiffs, that he had in this Case expressly charged his Real Estate with the Payment of his Debts, Legacies, and Funeral; and therefore the Personal Estate ought to be exempt therefrom; that he had specifically devised away a considerable Part of his Personal Estate, and that, without Question, was not Subject thereto, no more, as it was urged, could the Residue in this Case, because the devising of it by such general Words, was only to save the Trouble of enumerating Particulars, which if the Testator had done, that would have made it a Specifick Devise thereof, and consequently as much exempt as the Particulars before devised; that the Devise was of the Residue before unbequeathed, so that every Thing but what was before bequeathed or devised must pass by this Clause, and no Room left to confine it only to the Residue after Debts, &c. which, if the Words had been General, might have been supposed the Intent of the Testator.

On the other Side it was urged, that the Personal Estate was the natural Fund for Payment of Debts; that if there was no Clause to exempt it, this Court had always subjected it in the first Place, notwithstanding  
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any Devise of the Real Estate for Payment thereof; that the Personal Estate had been made liable in this Court, where the Real Estate had been expressly devised to be sold for the Payment thereof, where the Lands being to be sold out and out, the Testator could not be supposed to have any Regard to his Heir; that the charging his Real Estate in these Cases, was only in aid of his Personal Estate, in Case that should not be sufficient, that the *Heres Factus* as well as the *Heres Natus* had always been allowed the Benefit of the Personal Estate towards Satisfaction of the Debts, in the first Place; that if an Estate descended with an Incumbrance to the Heir, that he should have the Aid of the Personal Estate to disincumber it.

But to this Mr. *Vernon* said, that that could be only where there was an express Covenant for Payment of the Money, which descended in Point of Lien along with the Estate; yet by Reason of the Covenant, which was Personal, the Executors should be bound to discharge it out of the Personal Estate, in the first Place; but there was no Pretence in the World, that if a Man purchased an Estate subject to an Incumbrance, that his Heir should have Aid of the Personal Estate to disincumber it.

My Lord *Chancellor*, on the whole Frame of the Will, was of Opinion, that the Personal Estate was to be applied in the first Place, in Ease of the Real Estate: First, Because there was no express Clause to exempt the Personal Estate, and that had been always the Distinction taken in this Court. 2<sup>dly</sup>, It appears, that the Heir of this Family was not to have the Real Estate, 'till his Age of 25 Years; nay, not so much as the Rents and Profits, which should actually fall and become due before that Age; that the Testator appeared throughout to carry a very frugal Intention, and therefore would allow his Heir no more than 30 *l.* a Year for his Maintenance, and that too carried beyond the usual Time of his Age of 21 Years, for he was to be trusted with nothing more, even 'till his  
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Age of 25 Years; and can it then be thought he intended indefinitely to trust him with the Personal Estate without Limitation to any Age, so that he might squander it all away, and waste it as soon as ever he came to it; that both the Real and Personal Estate in this Case were to come into the same Hand; and therefore he could have no such frugal Intention, with Regard to the one, and leave it so loose as to the other; that if the Personal Estate had been devised to a Stranger, it might have had another Consideration from the Meaning of the Words *before unbequeathed*; but here he thought it could not, and accordingly decreed the Personal Estate to be subject, in the first Place, to the Debts and Legacies.

### Onyons versus Tryers.

A Man makes his Will, duly executed and attested according to the Statute of *Frauds and Perjuries*; and at the same Time, in like Manner, executes a Duplicate thereof; some Time after, the Testator having a Mind to Change one of his Trustees, orders his Will to be wrote over again, without any Variation whatsoever from the first, save only in the Name of that Trustee, and when it was so wrote over, he executes it in the Presence of three Witnesses, and the three Witnesses subscribed their Names, but not in his Presence; after this, the Testator cancels the Duplicate by tearing off the Seal, and then dies, and the Question now was, Whether this second Will not being good as a Will to pass Lands, should yet be a Revocation of the first? And if it should not, Whether the cancelling of the other should be a Revocation thereof, within the Statute of *Frauds and Perjuries*.

And it was decreed, that neither the making of the second, nor the canceling of the first was a Revocation thereof, tho' in the second there was an express Clause, that he did thereby revoke all former and other Wills.

Case 293.  
2 Vern. 741.  
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One devises his Land by Will, attested by three Witnesses, and afterwards makes another Will of his Land, which Revokes all former Wills; but this Will is not duly executed; the last Will being no Will, and void, will not amount to a Revocation of the former.

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Wherein my Lord *Chancellor* took this Distinction, that the second was not intended as an effectual Will to pass the Lands to the Persons, and in the Manner thereby devised, and therefore if it was not good as a Will, to that Purpose, it was no Revocation of the first; and if a Man by his Will devises Lands to *A.* and after makes a second Will, and thereby devises the same Lands to *B.* if this second Will be not good as a Will to pass the Lands to *B.* it shall be no Revocation of the Devise in the first to *A.* for it is plain, *A.* was to lose only what *B.* was to gain, and if *B.* gains nothing by the second, *A.* shall lose nothing that was given by the first; but if a Man executes a second Will, which appears to have no other Intention than only to revoke his first, and to die Intestate; tho' his second be not in all Circumstances duly executed as a Will whereby to pass Lands, yet it will operate as a Revocation of the first.

And as to the cancelling or tearing of the first Will, that is no Revocation of it in this Case, because that was no self-subsisting independent Act, but done to accompany or in Way of Affirmation of the second, it was done from an Opinion, that the second had effectually revoked the first, and therefore he tears the first as of no Use; but if the first was not effectually revoked by the second, that Act of tearing the first will not destroy it neither, for though a Man may by the Statute of Frauds as effectually destroy his Will by tearing or cancelling it, as by making a second, when he intends that as a Revocation of the first; yet if it be insufficient for that Purpose, as in the principal Case, the tearing and cancelling of the first being only in Consequence of his Opinion, that he made good the second Will, shall not destroy the first, but it ought to be set up again in this Court; and he said he thought this was consistent with the Resolutions that had been given in 3 *Mod.* 258. 1 *Shower* 89. *Eggleston* and *Speak*, and a Case cited by Serjeant *Hooper* in *C. B.* where a Man by Will gave  
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Lands to *A.* for Life, Remainder to *B.* in Fee; and after, by a second Will, executed in the Presence of three Witnesses, but not signed by the Witnesses in the Testator's Presence, he gave the same Lands to *A.* again for Life, Remainder to *C.* in Fee, this was held no Revocation of the Remainder to *B.* notwithstanding an express Clause of revoking all former Wills, and it was held clearly, that the cancelling or revoking either of the Duplicate or Original Will, is an effectual avoiding of both, they being both but one Will, and therefore must stand or fall together.

### *Brown and Barkham.*

**M**Y Lord Chancellor having taken Time to consider of this Case, did now deliver his Opinion to the following Effect; he put the Case at large, and then promised, that naturally and according to the common unprejudiced Reason of Mankind, every one at first reading of this Will, would be clear of Opinion, that the Testator's Intent in this Case was to give his Estate to his Heir Male, and none but a Lawyer, or one whose Judgment is biassed with the Learning of the Law could possibly understand it otherwise; but since Resolutions of Law, and Decrees of Equity have from Time to Time established certain Rules and artificial Modes of Property, he thought it necessary to consider such of them as had been cited and made Use of to disprove this natural Construction of the Will, before he gave his own Judgment.

as Heir Male by Descent, so is he sufficiently described to take by Purchase.

The first that has been cited is, that he who takes as Heir, or Heir Male, cannot take whilst his Ancestor is living; for the Rule is, that *non est Heres viventes*, and this is *Archer's Case*, 1 Co. 66. but that Rule makes nothing in the present Case. First, Because here the Ancestor was actually dead at the Time that this Devise took Place. 2<sup>dly</sup>, Because here the Words of the Devise are all

Case 294.

Ante 285. 442

*A.* devises Lands in Trust after Debts paid, to convey the Premises to the Heirs Male of the Body of *B.* the Testator's Great Grandfather, *C.* is the Heir Male of the Body of *B.* but not Heir General, there being a Daughter of an elder Brother, who is Heir General; yet the Trustees shall convey to *C.* as *C.* would be well intitled to take



all strictly and literally verified of the Person that is to take as Heir Male, when the Devise took Place; and therefore nothing can be inferred from that Rule to influence the present Case; for in *Archer's Case*, the Words were not all true of him who was to take as Heir Male, for his Ancestor was living at the Time when the Will took Effect; and therefore according to the Rule aforementioned, he could not take as Heir Male; but in our Case, the Ancestor being dead, even long before the making of the Will, the Defendant *Barkham* may truly and literally be called his Heir Male, and consequently capable of taking by that Name, if nothing else hinders.

Another Case that has been cited, is the Case of *Challoner and Bowyer*, 2 Leon. 70; but that likewise is nothing to this Purpose, because there the eldest Son was living, when the Remainder should have vested in the Heir of his Body, which it could not do during his Father's Life; for during his Life, he was no more Heir Male, than he was Heir Female, so neither is the Case in *Dyer* 99 a. of any force at all in the present Question, for there the Son who claimed the Remainder was to make himself Right Heir, both of the Body of his Father and Mother, which during his Father's Life he could not do; but in that Case it is strongly implied, that if the Father had been dead, the Son should have taken as Right Heir of their two Bodies.

A second Objection has been made, that he who takes as a Purchasor by the Name of Heir Male, must answer the whole Description, that is, he must be both Male and Heir, which the Defendant *Barkham* is not; but this is a Rule which has no Foundation in natural Reason, but is raised and supported purely by the artificial Reasoning of Lawyers; and under this Head we may consider the principal Case of *Cownden and Clerk*, in *Hob.* and *Asburburst's Case*, cited at the End of that Case, and also the Case of *Sterling and Estrick* in this Court, in all which Cases it is observable, 1<sup>st</sup>, That the Limitations

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were only to the Heirs Male, not saying of the Body. 2dly, Whoever carefully observes the Manner of my Lord *Hobart's* Argument, *Fol. 32*, will find his own Opinion to have been for the Devise, if it had been made to the Heirs Male of the Body, and there seems to have some Mistake crept into the Print, in the transcribing that Part of the Case, which looks otherwise; and as to the Case of *Sterling* and *Etterick*, besides, that there is no Mention of the Word Body, that was in the Case of a Deed directing a Conveyance to his Heir Male, and therefore he thought the Decree in that Case extreamly Right, and should have given the same if it had come before him.

But now none of all these Cases do in any Sort affect the present Case; for if the Reason of rejecting those Devises were good, because both Parts of the Description of the Person intended to take were not true, the same will be a good Reason for allowing the Devise in the present Case, where the whole Description is literally and strictly true; for without Question one may take as Heir Male of the Body of a Person deceased, who is not Heir General of the same Person.

First, Because the Intent of the Testator is manifest, and appears at first View, who was the Person meant to take thereby. 2dly, The Distinction between taking by Purchase, and taking by Descent, where the Words are the same, tho' it be mentioned in Books of good Authority, yet it seems to have no sufficient Foundation of Reason or Authority of Law to support it; and if it should prevail in all Cases, would overthrow another Rule as certain, and well established, which is, that a Person may take by Purchase, if he be sufficiently described; tho' he has neither Addition of Christian, or Surname given him; nay, tho' his Christian Name be false or mistaken, as appears by several Cases put to this Purpose in *Co. Lit. 3. a*; and if so, then certainly such a Description of the Person as has all the Marks and Characters whereby he may be known, and is defective in none, must

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must be sufficient to intitle him under that Description; and that is the present Case, for the Words here are all true.

2dly, They are no more than is true, for *Edward Barkham* in the strictest Propriety of Speech, is Heir Male of the Body of his Great Grandfather, and the Books which are to the contrary infer to make out their Conclusion that the Words are not true (which shows, that if they are, the Authority of those Books must fail) and that they are not true, they endeavour to prove by urging, that the Person who is to take by such a Description, must be both Heir Male, and Heir General, for if he fails in either, he is not the Person described; but this surely is no good Reason, for though it be true, that the Word *Heir* taken singly by itself, can be true of none, but him who is Heir General; yet when it is joined with the Words *Male* or *Female* of the Body, they are true of him, or her, who descends from that Body, tho' they are not Heirs General, and to say otherwise, is a very disingenuous and unfair Way of construing Words; for suppose a Man has Lands at Common Law, and other Lands in *Borough English*; or suppose a Man has Lands at Common Law, and other Lands in *Gavelkind*; and he devises his Lands at Common Law to his Heirs in *Gavelkind*; in these Cases, if a Man stops at the Word *Heir*, or *Heirs*, it is certain the youngest Son in the one Case, or all the Sons in the other cannot take, because the eldest Son only is Heir; and therefore this can never be a just Construction of such a Will; but now take all the Words together, and 'tis then most certainly a good Devise to the youngest Son, who is Heir in *Borough English* in the one Case, and to all the Sons who are Heirs in *Gavelkind* in the other, so in the principal Case, leave out the Words *Males of the Body*, and then no Doubt none but the Heir General can take; but as these Words were added, to distinguish him from the Heir General, it would be a very unjust Way of wresting and perverting a Man's Words to leave them out, purely

to let in another whom the Testator never intended should take; and tho' the Addition of those Words was purely to distinguish him from the Heir General, from whom these very Words were added to distinguish the Person described to take, which is all one as to say, that though the Law allows an Heir General, or Heir Special, two distinct Persons; yet none can take who is not both Heir General, and Heir Special in one Person, which is to confound and destroy the very Distinction itself.

Besides, here the Person intended to take is certain and known, *Edward Barkham*, and no other, is Heir Male of the Body of his Great Grandfather, and the Description of him by these Words, is correct and perfect.

3dly, If the Words Heirs Males of the Body in the plural Number, are a sufficient Description to convey Lands by Descent from the Ancestor, to the Heir Male of his Body, they are as sufficient to pass such Lands to the same Heir Male of that Body by Purchase, where the Intent of the Testator appears to be so; and this is not a Construction wrought upon the Statute *de donis*, for that Statute does not determine or meddle with what Words are Words of Purchase, and what not, or how the Heir of the Body that is to take shall be described, nor is there any such Distinction between a Purchase and a Descent arising upon that Statute; for the Words here made Use of in this Devise were all at the Common Law long before the Statute *de donis*, which did not create such Heir Male of the Body, for he would have taken by such a Devise at the Common Law, as sufficiently described and known, and the Statute only confirms the Description; and this he said was the principal Reason of the Opinion he was now to deliver, and the Authorities which have been cited to the contrary do not at all come up to this Case, there being no Mention of the Word *Body* in any one of them; and as to the Opinion of *Hob.* 32. that the Words Heirs Males of the Body are not sufficient Words of Purchase, where another is Heir General, he said,

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1<sup>st</sup>, That that Point was not at all necessary for the Determination of the principal Case there. 2<sup>dly</sup>, From some Expressions in that Book, it looks rather like a Mistake in the Transcriber, than *Hobart's* own Opinion. 3<sup>dly</sup>, If it were his Opinion, it seems not to be Law, because a Limitation to the Heirs Males of the Body of a Person dead before, was sufficient to vest in them by Purchase within the Statute, and before the Statute *de donis*; and so is *John de Mandevill's* Case, *Co. Lit.* 36, which he cited and applied, and said, that the sole Difference in those Cases was, between a Devise to the Heirs Males, or Heirs Females generally; and such a Devise to the Heirs Males, or Heirs Females of the Body; and as to *Shelley's* Case, 1 *Co.* tho' the principal Case there, was rather a Confirmation of this Opinion; for there the Ancestor was dead at the Time the Limitation took Place; and for my Lord *Coke's* Report of that Case, it appears to be only his own Argument, as he was of Council in it; and tho' he does indeed lay down the Distinction between taking by Purchase, and taking by Descent; yet *Wray* Chief Justice, when he comes to sum up the Reasons of the Judgment, he takes no Manner of Notice of that Distinction; so that it seems only to be my Lord *Coke's* own Opinion, without any Authority to support it; but then indeed this Doctrine is again transcribed into his first *Institute* 24, and *Shelley's* Case cited for it, which is the only Authority to warrant that Distinction; for as to the Year Books referred to in the Margin; he said, he had looked into every one of them, with all the Care he could, that he might go to the Bottom of this Question; and those Books are so far from warranting such an Opinion, that there is but one of them at all to the Purpose, and that is directly contrary to what it is cited to prove, for as to the 9 *H. 6.* 23, 24, and 11 *H. 6.* 12, it was a Limitation only to the Heirs Males, not Heirs Males of the Body; besides, that he was not in *Esse* when the Limitation to him was to take Place; and

and therefore, that Case can be no Ground for my Lord Coke's Opinion.

Another Case cited to support this Opinion is the 37 H. 8. Brok. Tit. *de donis*, Sect. 61. but on looking into that Case, it appears to be nothing at all to the Purpose, and Bro. Tit. *Mosme* 1, 40, *Husseys* Case there is no judicial Resolution on this Point one Way or other, and *Dyer* 347, is only an imperfect Report of *Shelley's* Case, and from the Weakness of these Authorities to prove the Doctrine continued, for he took Occasion to observe, that there was no relying on sudden Opinions, as cited in Books.

And for the Support of his own Opinion, he cited *Pollex.* 454, and 2 *Ven.* 311, *Burchett* and *Durdant* al' *James* and *Richardson*, which he said, was a much stronger Case than this now in Question, for there the Ancestor was living, and yet it was held to be such a Description of him, as to let him in during the Life of his Ancestor, tho' that was a Dispension with the ancient Maxim of Law, *quod non est Heres Viventis*; but in our Case no Maxim of Law is infringed; but the Case of *Beaumont* and *Long* in the House of Lords lately, is still a much stronger Case; for there was not so much as the Words of *the Body*, yet the Heir was admitted to be sufficiently described to take, even in the Life of his Aunt *Long*, so that he thought the Obiter Opinions of my Lord Coke and *Hobart*, to be very much out weighed by the Authority of those Resolutions.

Then he cited the Case of *Pibus* and *Mitford*, 1 *Vent.* 372, and said, that my Lord *Hales* did not think fit to rely on the common Point of the Father's taking an Estate for Life, by Implication; but held the Words *Heirs Males of the Body of his second Wife* a sufficient Description, to vest it in the Heirs Males of the Body of such Wife by Purchase; and tho' the Reporter of that Case introduces the Argument of my Lord *Hales*, only with his saying that, *of that he was not well satisfied*, yet in the Argument of my Lord *Hales*, after he seems



to have professedly set about confuting that Opinion, and takes Notice of such Heir Male as a special Heir at Common Law, before the Statute *de donis*, who was capable of taking distinct from the Heir General, and what he cites there out of *Lit. Sect. 352*, of performing the Condition as near the Intent as may be, proves in the present Case, that the Settlement must be made to the Person who is the Heir Special, and said, he had never met with any one Case to the contrary; but only the Opinions before mentioned of *Coke* and *Hobart*; for the Case at the End of *Pybus* and *Mitford*, is directly in Point for the special Heir Male, and in that Case he took Notice of his Heir General, as he does in the present Case; and therefore could never mean, that his Heir Female should take it, when he expressly gives it to his Heir Male, and in that Case Justice *Wyld* was of the same Opinion in that particular, so that it has the Authority of two Judges there, and the Reasoning of my Lord *Hales* there, must surely convince all that heard it, and is much stronger than the before mentioned Opinions of *Coke* and *Hobart*, the last whereof amounts to no more than that he doubted of the Law in this Point.

Then he cited the Case of *Baker* and *Wall*, *Trin. 8 W. Rot. 1484*, in C. B. where a Man made his Will in this Manner, *I give to my eldest Heir Male, and his Heir Males for ever, all my Lands, in such a Place, and if there be a Female, she to have 12 l. per Ann. as long as she lives*; and the Testator having two Sons, the eldest which was dead in his Life Time, leaving a Daughter, who was Heir General, yet the youngest Son went away with the Land; and that Case, as appears by the Adjournments on the *Rolls* was depending for a considerable Time, so that seems to have been settled with great Judgment and Deliberation; and in that Case there were several Expressions to show he never meant, that his Heir General should take.

As to the Case of *Goodwright* and *Cornish*, which has been cited, he said, it was nothing at all to the Purpose, and therefore he took Notice of it last of all.

And upon the whole concluded, that the Words of this Will were sufficient to vest the Estate in Question in the Heirs Male of the Body of the Great Grandfather, 1<sup>st</sup>, Because natural Reason, common Sense, and the Intent of the Testator call aloud for it. 2<sup>dly</sup>, Because the Arguments to the contrary, are now brought into a very narrow Compass and Weight. 3<sup>dly</sup>, That the Weight of them, if any, was over-weighed by judicial Resolutions in much stronger Cases; and therefore the only Doubt now remaining was, how this Trust was to be executed; in considering whereof, he said, that the Limitation to the Heirs Males in the Plural Number, made no Manner of Difficulty, for so was *Shelley's* Case; and when a Conveyance comes to be made, it must be to the Person who is Heir Male in the Singular Number, and the Words are better and more skilfull in the Plural Number, than they would have been, if they had only been in the Singular, as they both denote the Person who is to take, and do at the same Time describe the Quantity of Estate he is to take.

And thereupon decreed, that the Trustees should execute a Conveyance to *Edward Barkham*, and the Heirs Male of the Body of his Great Grandfather, for in this Case, *Equitas sequitur Legem*, and the Conveyance must be as near the Intent of the Testator as may be, according to the before mentioned Rule of *Lit. Sect. 352*; and a Conveyance was decreed accordingly.



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**IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.**

Case 295.

*Northey* versus *Burbage*.

By a Devise  
to Children  
and Grand-  
children  
none can  
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those who  
are in *Esse*  
at the Time  
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ture Words  
which show the Testator's Intent.

**I**N this Case it was said by the Council, and agreed to by the Court, that a Devise to all his Children and Grandchildren extends only to those who were in *Esse*, at the Time when the Will was made; for then the Will speaks, and none born after are to be let in, unless there had been future Words in the Will, to all his Children or Grandchildren, which should be born, or be living at his Death.

A Grand-  
child of a  
Freeman of  
*London* can-  
not come in  
for a Share  
by the Cu-  
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2dly, That a Grandchild is not within the Custom of *London* to come in for his Father or Mother's Share, together with the other Children of a Freeman; and this has been settled by the present Lord Chancellor, where a Deed, by Way of Provision for a Grandchild being made by the Grandfather, after the Father's Death, in order to introduce him into his Father's Place, was set aside, as made in Fraud of the Custom against the surviving Children.

Tho' a Free-  
man of *Lon-*  
*don* by Will  
declares, that  
he had given  
some of his

3dly, The Testator in the principal Case being a Freeman of *London*, by his Will in Writing declared, that

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Children 1000 l. apiece in full of their Orphanage Part; yet this very Declaration, upon bringing the Advancement into *Hotchpot*, intitles them to their full Customary Share; but whether Proof will be admitted to show, that the Advancement was more than declared by the Father, Q.

he had given 1000 l. to one, 1000 l. to another, and so to others of his Children, in full of their Orphanage Part, by the Custom of *London*; yet this very Declaration let them in, bringing those Sums into *Hotchpot* to their full Customary Shares of the whole; but whether the Sum mentioned in the Will should be taken to be the whole of what the Testator had given them, or if the Parties concerned were at Liberty to prove more paid to them, was the greater Question, and the Court seemed inclinable to let them into the Proof thereof.

4thly, A Devise of 500 l. apiece to two of his Grandchildren by Name; and if either of them died, their Share to go to the Survivor, and if they both died, then their Shares to their Mother; one of them died in the Life Time of the Testator, yet his Share went by the express Words of this Will to the other Grandchild, and was held to be no lapsed Legacy.

A. devises 500 l. apiece to his two Grandchildren by Name; and if either of them die, his Share to go to the Survivor; one of them dies in

the Life Time of the Testator, his Share shall go to the Survivor, and is not a lapsed Legacy.

### *Piggot versus Penrice.*

Case 296.

**T**HIS was an Appeal from the *Rolls*, and the only two Points in Question were, 1st, Where the Testatrix by Will devised in this Manner, *I make my Niece Gore (since married to Sir Henry Penrice) Executrix, of all my Goods, Lands, and Chattels*, Whether any, and what Estate passed in the Lands by this Devise? It appearing in the Cause, that the Testatrix had no Term or Interest for Years, in any Lands whatsoever; but an Estate of Inheritance in the Lands in Question.

A. devises to her Niece in this Manner, *I make my Niece G. Executrix of all my Goods, Lands, and Chattels*, and dies, not having any Leasehold Interest, yet her Lands of Inheritance pass not by these Words:

The second Point was, where the Testatrix had made a Settlement, with Power of Revocation by Writing, executed under Hand and Seal, in the Presence of three Witnesses, not being menial Servants; and some Time after, being indisposed, wrote a Letter, which was proved and read in the Cause, signifying her Intentions to revoke those Uses, and desiring a Deed might be prepared pursuant to her Power for Revocation thereof, and settling



the same on her Niece *Gore*, Whether this should amount to a Revocation, she dying before any Deed was prepared, or any Revocation actually made?

As to the first Point, it was argued, that this Devise was sufficient to pass the Lands, and to give the Devisee an Estate of Inheritance therein; that if it were otherwise, the Word *Lands* would be useless, and must be rejected, there being no Terms or Interests for Years in any other Lands; that if one says in his Will, I make such a one Universal Heir, that will pass, not only his Real Estate, but his Personal Estate likewise; and this has been oftentimes allowed, and yet these Words are as improper, and as little applicable to a Personal Estate, as the Words in the present Case are to a Real Estate; that by making her Niece Executrix of her Land, she gave her a Power to sell and dispose of her Lands, and that without Question would have passed a Fee; and by this Devise the Lands are made Subject to the Payment of Debts, and under the Controul and Management of the Executrix, in the same Manner as the Goods and Chattels, whereof she is made Executrix in the same Clause; and if she should have but an Estate for Life therein, she might possibly die before she were reimbursed out of the Rents and Profits what she had paid for Debts, which is the Reason that a Devise to one paying my Debts will pass a Fee.

As to the second Point, it was argued from several Expressions in the Letter, that she had a manifest Intention to revoke the Settlement; that she went as far as she could towards it; that she expressly gave Directions to have a Deed prepared for that Purpose; and that the Reason of its being not compleated, was her dying so soon, which was the Act of God; that if this Letter had been sealed and attested, pursuant to the Power, it would without Question have been a sufficient Revocation; and they cited the Earl of *Albemarle's* Case, where a Power of Revocation was to be in the Presence of six Witnesses, whereof three to be Peers; yet it was held in  
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that Case, that if the Person were beyond Sea, or under any Disability of having three Peers, and pursued his Power of Revocation in all other Circumstances, that it would be effectual in a Court of Equity.

But my Lord *Chancellor* was so clear of Opinion in both Points against them, that he affirmed the Decree, without hearing the Council on the other Side: As to the first Point, he said, whatever his private Opinion might be of the Intent of the Testatrix, to give her Niece these Lands, yet in Point of Judgment, he could not Decree for her; that it was a most known and established Rule of Law, that an Heir is never to be disinherited, but by express Words, or necessary Implication; that here were neither in this Case; that the Word *Lands*, was not, however, useless or to be rejected; for that in all Probability there might be Rents in Arrear of these Lands, and by making her Executrix of her Lands, the Rents of those Lands would pass; that nothing certain could be inferred from such a Devise, and therefore he must not break into the settled Rules of Law to support it.

As to the second Point, there might be good Reasons for putting herself under that Restraint, in the Manner of Revocation, to prevent Surprise or Inadvertency; that here was no Pretence of any Obstruction from the Persons, who claimed under that Settlement; that here was nothing more than bespeaking a Revocation, and the Completion of it prevented by her Death; that no Case had ever yet gone so far, and therefore it was too hard for him, and affirmed the Decree.

*Note*, The Testatrix by Will gave Part of these Lands to Charitable Uses, and they were decreed at the *Rolls* to be good as an Appointment upon the Act of Parliament, notwithstanding there was no Revocation; but that Point was not now brought in Question.



Case 297.

May 9.

One makes a Settlement with Power by Deed to revoke it, and by the same Deed, or any other from Time to Time, to limit new Uses; he revokes the Settlement, and limits new Uses; but reserves no farther Power to himself; he cannot by Virtue of the first Power limit any other Uses.

*Hele versus Bond.*

*A.* Makes a Settlement, wherein was a Power, that he might from Time to Time, by Deed or Writing under his Hand and Seal, revoke the Uses thereof, and by the same, or any other Deed, limit and declare new Uses: In Pursuance of this Power, he revokes the old Uses; and by the same Deed limits new Uses, without annexing any new Power of Revocation to these new Uses afterwards, thinking he had, by Virtue of the first Settlement, a Power of Revocation, *toties quoties*, he by another Deed revokes the last Uses, and again declares other Uses of the same Lands; and if he had such Power was the Question.

It was agreed he might, in the Deed of Revocation, have annexed a Power of revoking the Uses thereby declared, and might afterwards have executed that Power accordingly; but in this Case there being no such new Power of Revocation annexed to the new Uses, it was decreed, that his new Power of Revocation was executed, and at an End; and by Consequence, that the Revocation afterwards was without any Warrant, and so the Uses limited upon the first Revocation, must stand; and this was this Day affirmed in the House of Peers, and agreed to be intirely a new Case, and was very elaborately argued on both Sides.

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## Termino S. Mich.

1717.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Fursaker and Robinson.*

Case. 298.

ONE seised of Lands, which by the Custom of the Manor could only pass by Deed, Surrender, or Admittance, and having a Natural Daughter, does by Deed, in Consideration of 300 l. therein mentioned to be paid by the said Daughter, grant and convey those Lands, to her and her Heirs, and she was admitted accordingly; but no Surrender was made of these Lands, as the Custom required, and at the foot of the Admittance was a Proviso, That her reputed Father should hold and enjoy those Lands for his Life; and also in the Deed was a Covenant for further Assurance; but for want of a Surrender, according to the Custom of the Manor, this was agreed to be a defective Conveyance, so this Bill was brought against the Heir at Law, to supply the Defect, and to have further Assurance according to the Covenant, and whether this Court could supply it in Behalf of a Natural Daughter, was the single Question.

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It was urged for the Daughter, that she was to be considered as a Purchaser, having paid 300 l. for it; but it was said on the other Side, that tho' the 300 l. was mentioned in the Deed to be paid, yet the Plaintiff

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could not make any Proof that the Money was paid ; it was then further urged for the Plaintiff, that after her Birth, her Father had married her Mother ; and therefore, tho' she was a Bastard by our Law, yet by the Law of the Spiritual Court, she was looked upon as a *Mulier Puisne*, tho' before the Marriage, she was *Bastard Eigne*, for that, by their Law, *Matrimonium Subsequens tollit Peccatum Precedens* ; but of this Marriage with her Mother, likewise she made no Proof ; then it was urged, that she being his Natural Daughter, he was by the Law of Nature obliged to provide for her ; and that this Court ought to supply a defective Conveyance intended for that Purpose, as it had done in many Instances for younger Children ; and the rather, by Reason of the express Covenant for further Assurance, which they came here to have a Specifick Performance of ; and that she ought to be looked upon as a Purchasor, and to have the Benefit of that Covenant.

On the other Side it was argued by Sir Thomas Powis, and others, that tho' the reputed Father, if he thought her to be his Child, was by the Law of Nature obliged to provide for her, yet Nobody else was ; that this Court was under no such Obligation, that she was to be considered now as a meer Stranger, and to supply a voluntary defective Conveyance for a Stranger, against an Heir at Law, was what was never attempted before ; that she was to be considered as *Nullius Filia*, and could not be considered as a Child in any Court ; and that this Court was to follow the Law in such Cases ; that tho' her Father might have a great Affection for her, yet that was no such Affection as would raise a Use at Law ; that the Covenant for further Assurance could not at all help the Case, where the original Conveyance itself was void ; that if a Man covenants to stand seised to the Use of a meer Stranger, and covenants to make further Assurance, this Covenant depending on the Nature of the Conveyance, if that be void, the Covenant which

which is only auxiliary, and goes along with the Estate, must be void too; that this was a Copyhold that could not be affected, even by a Judgment at Law, much less by a Covenant that would not bind the Heir at Law of the Copyhold; that in the Case of *Kettle and Thompson*, in the Time of my Lord *Somers* it was held, that a Man was not obliged to provide for his Grandchildren, as he was for his Children, which were then said to be in the Nature of a Debt upon him; and as he was obliged to pay his Debts, this was a Debt of Nature, which he was likewise obliged to pay, but not to his Grandchildren (but my Lord *Chancellor* seemed not to be satisfied with the Difference, and said, by the Statute-Law of 43 *Eliz.* a Man was obliged to provide for his Grandchildren) but as to the Case in Question, the Court was of the same Opinion, for the Reasons before given, and dismiss'd the Appeal from the *Rolls*; and as to the Proviso, at the Foot of the Admittance, it was held repugnant and void, according to a Case *Cro. Car.* or *Cro. Jac.* and the Distinction taken in 4 *Co. Kite* and *Quinton*.

*Howell and Price.*

Case 299.

**T**HIS Cause now came on again to be argued, on several Precedents produced, that the Personal Estate in the Hands of the Executor, whether it were expressly devised to him, or came to him only by Virtue of his being made Executor, that in both Cases, unless there was an express Clause to exempt it, that it should be applied in Ease and Exoneration of the Real Estate; and that as well in Behalf of a Devisee, or *Heres Factus*, of the Real Estate, as of the *Heres Natus*, for which the Cases cited were *Gray and Gray*, *Chicester* and *Phillips*, *Hale* and *Hale*, and other Cases.

The Personal Estate shall be applied in Exoneration of the Real, in Favour as well of an *Heres Factus*, as an Heir at Law; Whether the Executor takes it as Executor, or it be devised to him, unless there are Words to exempt it.

My Lord *Chancellor* was now clear of Opinion, that the Personal Estate in this Case must be applied accordingly; for he said, here was plainly a Debt, tho' it was a Debt



Debt of a special Nature, and for which the Security was limited; for on failure of Payment on any *Michaelmas-Day*, the Mortgagee might bring his Ejectment, and recover the Possession, which he should hold 'till his Debt is satisfied, or 'till Payment by the Mortgagor, or his Heirs; and tho' no Action of Debt, or Covenant lay, yet since there was a Remedy for it, he thought it clearly a Debt; and that the Devise to his Executors, as well to pay his Debts, as to levy his Debts, plainly shewed his Intention to discharge all his Debts thereout; and therefore this being a Debt, tho' of a special Nature, must be paid amongst the rest, tho' the Plaintiff was not the immediate Heir to the Mortgagor, but only the Heir of the Heir.

Case 300.

*Anonymous.*

A Judgment shall have no Relation but from the Time of Signing.

**I**T was held by my Lord Chancellor, that upon the Statute of *Frauds and Perjuries*, a Judgment shall have no Relation, but from the Time of the Signing, not only as against Purchasors of the Lands themselves, but also as against Prior Judgments enter'd in the *Grand Sessions of Wales*, to which that Statute does not extend; and therefore, as objected, the Judgment in the *Common Pleas*, tho' subsequent in Time to the other Judgments at the *Grand Sessions*, yet if it might relate to the first Day of the Term, it would take Place of the other Judgments; but my Lord said, that a Man who trusted his Money on a Judgment, was in some sort a Purchasor of the Land, as he might take out Execution, and extend the Land itself; and therefore if he found no Judgment Prior, he thought his Security good; and that the Rule the Statute had laid down for the safety of Purchasors of the Lands themselves, was a good Rule to follow in the present Case, and the Relations were not to be favoured in a Court of Equity.

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But Sir Thomas Powis insisted strongly, that the Statute extended only to Purchasers of the Lands, and therefore said, a Judgment should have the same Relation still, as it would have had at Common Law, against a voluntary Settlement, or against one who came to the Lands by any Conveyance without valuable Consideration, and this was not denied by the Court; but in the present Case, if the subsequent Judgment in the *Common Pleas* should have such Relation, it would defeat Real Creditors, who trusted to the Priority of their Judgments, which my Lord Chancellor thought ought not to be overthrown by a Fiction of Law.

*Mr. Justice Mansfield* delivered the Opinion of the Court, that the Statute did not extend to the Case before the Court, and that the Judgment in the *Common Pleas* should have the same Relation as it would have had at Common Law, against a voluntary Settlement, or against one who came to the Lands by any Conveyance without valuable Consideration, and this was not denied by the Court; but in the present Case, if the subsequent Judgment in the *Common Pleas* should have such Relation, it would defeat Real Creditors, who trusted to the Priority of their Judgments, which my Lord Chancellor thought ought not to be overthrown by a Fiction of Law.

Where a Statute is made in relation to a particular subject, it is to be construed according to the intent of the Legislature, and not according to the literal meaning of the words.



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## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ:

Case 301.

*Marshall versus Frank & Ux'.*

Where a Settlement shall be good and take Effect, tho' not according to the Intent of the Parties.

ONE having Issue a Daughter by his first Wife, who was dead, and being possessed of several Messuages for a Term of 999 Years, makes a Mortgage of them for securing the Sum of 100 l. and after, on his Marriage gives Bond to Trustees to leave 200 l. to his intended Wife, at his Death; then the Marriage takes Effect, and the Wife being possessed of a Leasehold Estate, the Husband, in Consideration of his Wife's having joined with him in the Sale and Disposition of her Leasehold Estate, and also in Consideration of the Delivery up of the Bond, by Indentures of Lease and Release, grants, bargains, sells and demises his own Leasehold Estate to Trustees and their Heirs, to the Use of himself and his Wife, for their Lives, and the Life of the Survivor of them, Remainder to the Heirs of the Wife, and covenants, that he was seised in Fee; then the Wife dies without Issue; but before her Death she makes a Writing in Nature of a Will, and thereby devises the Premises so settled on her to the Plaintiff, and his Heirs; and the Plaintiff after got a Release from the Heir at Law of the Wife

Wife; the Husband afterwards, on the Marriage of his Daughter with the Defendant *Frank*, enters into Articles, whereby he agrees to settle and convey the Premises on the Defendant and his Wife, and their Issue; and the Defendant afterwards having Notice of the first Settlement, pays off the Mortgage, and takes an Assignment of the Mortgage Term; and this Bill was brought by the Plaintiff, as Devisee of the Defendant's Mother, to have a Redemption of the Term, and the Benefit of the Devise; the Defendant pleaded the Articles made on his Marriage, and that he was a Purchaser for valuable Consideration, and had no Notice of the first Settlement, but would not swear this Plea; so the Plea being overruled, and his Title set forth by Way of Answer, as before,

It was now insisted for the Defendants, that admitting any Thing passed by the Lease and Release to the Mother, under whom the Plaintiff claimed; yet that it was only a voluntary Settlement, and therefore ought not to take Place against the Defendants, who were Purchasers for valuable Consideration, and as they pretended, without Notice, tho' this was not sworn.

That the Settlement was voluntary, appeared from its being made after Marriage, and the Consideration of the Wife's having joined with her Husband in the Sale of her Estate was nothing, that being only Leasehold; the Husband had absolute Power to dispose of it without her; and therefore her Consent or Concurrence no Consideration; and as to the Delivery up of the Bond, that was now out of the Case, she dying before her Husband.

But 2<sup>dly</sup>, it was insisted, that nothing at all passed by the Settlement, for it being only a Term in gross, no Use passed to the Trustees, by the Statute of 27 H. 8. which only raised an Use, where the Person was seised; that by the Lease for a Year, which was only a Bargain and Sale, no Use passed, and there was no Attornment to vest it as a Reversion, and the Release being to inure  
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upon it, by Way of Enlargement of Estate, if nothing passed by the Lease, or if no Possession was transferred by that, then there was no Estate whereon the Release could operate, and whatever Consideration it might have in Equity to create a Trust, could not affect the Defendants, who had both Law and Equity on their Side, Law by an Assignment of the legal Interest from the Mortgagee, and Equity as Purchasers for a valuable Consideration.

That besides, the Estate settled on the Mother, being only a Term for Years, the Limitation to her Heirs was void; and admitting it had been good, yet she was under Coverture, and had no Power whatsoever to make a Will, and consequently the Devise thereof to the Plaintiff was void; and then the Release of her Heir at Law could have no Operation, nor had he any Interest in him to Release; and then the Term went to the Husband, he surviving his Wife, and consequently this Settlement on the Defendants must take Place.

That the Husband was also the Person intitled to take out Administration to the Wife; and therefore admitting this Settlement should pass the whole Interest in the Term, yet the Husband might at any Time take out Administration to his Wife, and thereby entitle himself to it.

On the other Side it was insisted, that the Husband had actually taken out Letters of Administration to the Wife; and tho' he had not the Letters of Administration in Court, yet it being sent to the Master to enquire, whether the Lands comprized in the Articles made on the Daughter's Marriage, were the same which were mentioned in the Mother's Settlement (there being some Reason to doubt of it) the Court left the Plaintiff at Liberty to produce his Letters of Administration before the Master.

And my Lord *Chancellor* was of Opinion, that either by Virtue of such Administration, or by the Devise of the Wife operating as an Appointment, or by the Release of the Heir at Law of the Mother, by some, or one of

all those Ways, the Plaintiff ought to be let into a Redemption of the Term; for tho' the Settlement could not operate as a Lease and Release, yet the Husband being in Possession, and not the Mortgagee, and there being the Word *Grant* in the Release, it took Effect as a Grant or an Assignment of his whole Interest at Common Law; and tho' it could not go to the Heirs of the Wife, yet his Intention being plain to exclude himself from the whole Interest of his Estate, he should not after be admitted to derogate from it; and therefore it should vest in those in whom by Law it might, which was the Administrator of the Wife; for as the Husband intended to divest himself of the whole Fee, if it had been a Fee, there was no Reason, when it appeared to be a less Interest, that this should not pass; and therefore was of Opinion, that the Defendants ought to assign on Payment by the Plaintiff of the Principal and Interest, but sent it to a Master to enquire, as to the Value of the Lands.

### Pinbury and Elkin.

Case 302.

A Man by his Will devises all his Goods, Chattels, and Personal Estate, to his Wife *Ester*, provided, that if she die without Issue by me, then 80 l. shall remain to my Brother *John Davis*, and makes his Wife Executrix, and dies; *John Davis* dies in the Life Time of the Wife, and then the Wife dies, without Issue; and this Bill was brought by the Administrator of *John Davis* for the 80 l. and the only Question was, Whether the Plaintiff had any Title to it upon the Words of this Will: There was no Doubt made, but that if the Devise over to *John Davis* were good, the Plaintiff as his Administrator would be intitled to it, tho' he died in the Life Time of the Wife, the first Devisee; but whether the Devise over in this Case was good, was the Question.

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A. Devises all his Personal Estate to his Wife; provided, that if she die without Issue by me; then 80 l. shall remain to my Brother J. D. and makes his Wife Executrix. J. D. dies in the Life Time of the Wife, and after the Wife dies without Issue: Whether this Limitation to J. D. be good.

It so as to intitle his Administrator to it. Q.



It was argued, that it was ; because the dying without Issue of the Wife, must be intended, dying without Issue at her Death, and not whenever there should be a failure of Issue of the Wife, which might happen 100 Years hence, or more, for that would be a Perpetuity, and not to be endured, and therefore, as dying without Issue has a two-fold Meaning, viz. either dying without Issue at the Time of her Death, or dying without Issue whenever the Issue fails, it shall not be construed in the remoter Sense of those Words, but in the nearest and most natural Sense thereof, which confines it to the Time of her Death ; and then the Devise over is good, and consequently the Plaintiff well intitled to it, and a Case of *Nicholls* versus *Hooper* was cited by Mr. *Williams* to that Purpose.

But it was argued on the other Side, that the Construction must be made from the Import of the Words, as they stand at the Time of the Will, and not from any Accident after ; that her leaving no Issue at the Time of her Death, was an Accident subsequent to the making of the Will, and therefore of no Force to influence the Construction of this Will ; that the Words were general, and not confined to the Time of her Death ; and therefore, whenever the Issue failed, by the Import of this Devise, the 80 l. was to remain over ; but that being unlimited, and tending to a Perpetuity of a Chattel, was against all the Rules of Construction hitherto allowed, which had never been carried beyond the Compass of a Life, or Lives in Being ; that it was true, if the Devise over were good in its Creation, the Plaintiff would be intitled to it, notwithstanding the Death of *John Davis*, before it actually vested in him ; for tho' it was but a bare Possibility, and could not have been granted or assigned by *John Davis*, yet it might have been released, or however will vest in his Executors or Administrators ; but here it was void in its Creation, and against the Rules of Law hitherto allowed.

My Lord Chancellor took Time to look into the Will, ut seemed to be of Opinion for the Devise, and took a Difference between a Devise to one, and the Heirs of his Body; and that if he die without Issue, then to remain over; and the Devise in the present Case, which was only to the Wife generally, and if she die without Issue; that in the first a Limitation of a Chattel over would be void; but in this Case it was not a Devise over, but a Contingent or Condition precedent, which being fulfilled by the Death of the Wife, without Issue, the Devise over may take Place, as a new original Devise, not as a Remainder; for by the Devise to the Wife generally the whole Interest was not absorbed, or taken up, as it was in Case of a Devise to her and her Issue; and therefore upon the happening of the Contingency it might take Place; but this was thought by several to be all one, and would introduce a Perpetuity, since not confined to the Death of the Wife, or any Time certain; and who must have it in the mean Time; but my Lord would consider of it.



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# Termino Paschæ,

1718.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 303.

### Marks versus Marks.

*A.* had Issue three Sons, *B.* his eldest, who died in his Life Time, leaving a Daughter, and *C.* and *D.* *A.* devises Lands to his Wife for Life, and after her Death to *D.* *Nathaniel* do within three Months after the Death of the Wife pay to *D.* the Sum of 500 *l.* then the Lands to remain to *C.* and his Heirs. *C.* died in the Life Time of the Wife, the Heir of *C.* shall take Advantage of this Condition, and not the Right Heirs of the Testator.

**W**illiam Marks having Issue three Sons, *William* his eldest, *Nathaniel* his second, and *Daniel* his third Son; and *William* the eldest Son dying in his Father's Life Time, leaving Issue only a Daughter; the Father afterwards by his Will in Writing, devises the Estate in Question to *Anne* his Wife, for her Life, and after her Death to his Son *Daniel* and his Heirs, provided, that if *Nathaniel* do within three Months after the Death of my Wife pay to *Daniel*, his Executors or Administrators the Sum of 500 *l.* then the said Lands shall come to my Son *Nathaniel* and his Heirs: The Wife lived several Years after, and during her Life, *Nathaniel* died, leaving the Plaintiff his Heir, and the Wife dying about two Years ago, the Plaintiff brought this Bill within three Months after her Death, praying, that upon Payment of the 500 *l.* he might have a Conveyance from the Defendants, some whereof had Mortgages upon the Estate, made to them by *Daniel*; and the Wife of *Daniel* by Order of Court being admitted to put in her Answer separately from her Husband, she insisted on a Settlement of those Lands, and as between the several Defendants, the Question

sion was, which of them had the better Title, either to the Money, if that were to come in lieu of the Land, or to the Land itself, in Case the Payment could now not be admitted, and that depended on Notice, or not Notice of the Will amongst themselves; but the principal Point was, Whether this 500 *l.* being to be paid by *Nathaniel* within a limited Time, and he dying before that Time came, Whether his Heir at Law could now on Payment of the Money make a Title to those Lands, for it was agreed he was not Heir at Law to the Testator, but the Daughter of the eldest Son.

It was argued, that the whole Value of the Lands was but about 1000 *l.* and that the Intention of the Testator was to divide it equally between his two younger Sons; and that if *Nathaniel* had the Lands, he should pay his Brother *Daniel* 500 *l.* out of it; but whether that Payment could now be made, that is, Whether it were not too late, and the Time lapsed for Payment of it by the Death of *Nathaniel*, was the single Question.

It was argued by Sir *Thomas Powis* and Sir *Robert Raymond*, that it was not, and they cited and relied on the Text of *Lit.* and the Comment of *Cooke* thereon, *Co. Lit.* 205 *b.* 219 *b.* that where a Feoffment is made to one, and his Heirs, upon Condition, that if a Feoffor do within such a Time pay such a Sum of Money to the Feoffee, &c. that tho' the Feoffor die before the Day, that his Heirs may perform the Condition for the four Reasons therein mentioned, and principally, because a Time being limited for the Payment of it, and the Feoffor dying before the Time, as that was the Act of God, so the Feoffee had no Wrong done him when the Money was paid, Whether it were by the Feoffor or his Heirs; and Sir *Robert Raymond* cited 1 *Chan. Cases* 89, and the Case of *Bertie and Falkland*, 3 *Chan. Cases*, that it was laid down as a Rule by my Lord *Somers*; that where the Party might be put in as good Plight, as where the Condition itself was literally performed, that this Court would relieve, tho' the Letter of it were not strictly performed,



performed, as Payment of Money, &c. but where the Condition was collateral, as in the principal Case there, and no Recompence or Value could be put on the Breach of it, there no Relief could be had for the Breach of it.

On the other Side it was argued by Serjeant Hooper and Mr. Mead, that the Case in *Co. Lit.* was but in Nature of a Mortgage; that it was to relieve against a Forfeiture by Non-Payment of the Money at the Day which may be good, even at Law, much more in this Court; that there was a wide Difference between a Condition precedent, and a Condition subsequent, that that was a Condition Subsequent, and for revesting of the Estate, and the Condition descended on the Heir, and consequently might be performed by him, tho' not named; that this was a Condition precedent, and for the new Creation of an Estate in a Person who had no Right or Title before, and was not Heir at Law; that this was Personal in *Nathaniel*, that he had not *Jus in re*, nor *ad rem*, and could neither have devised, released, or extinguished this Condition; that it was a bare Possibility, and he dying before it was performed, his Heir could not make it good.

But the Master of the Rolls said, this was not a Condition at all, because that is only such as may be performed by the Party himself, from whom it moves, or his Heirs; but this in the present Case is to be performed by a third Person. 2<sup>dly</sup>, This is not in the Nature of a Remainder to *Nathaniel*, because the Devise to *Daniel* is not in Tail, but in Fee; and a Remainder can only be after an Estate Tail, or a less Estate; but this being after a Fee, is an executory Devise, it may be called a Possibility in the largest Sense of that Word, but 'tis not strictly such, for nothing was vested in *Nathaniel*, which he could either grant or release, nor did any Thing descend to his Heir; that Heirs in this Case were not named to take by Purchase, but by Descent; that the Reason of their being named was to denote the Quantity of

of the Estate, which *Nathaniel* was to take, not to give them any Estate originally, and cited *Lampat's Case* 10 Co. and *Brett and Rigden's Case*, *Flow. Com.*

But the Council insisted, that the Possibility of performing this Condition, was an Interest or Right, or *Scutilla Juris*, which vested in *Nathaniel* himself, that he survived the Testator; and therefore this differed from *Brett and Rigden's Case*; that consequently such Right, Possibility, or Interest descended to his Heir, and might be performed by him, as before the Statute *de donis*, the Possibility of Reverter descended to the Heirs of the Donor, and cited *Puresoy and Roger's Case*, 2 *Sand.* and the Earl of *Kent's Case* *Cro. Car.* 348, *Pell and Brown's Case*, *Cro. Jac.* 591, 8 Co. *Matthew Manning's Case*, and some others, but the Case being thought a Matter of great Difficulty, the Master of the Rolls appointed them to speak to it again, when the Court was full.

Afterwards in *Mich. Term.* 5 *Georg. 1.* it was by the Lord Chancellor, and Master of the Rolls decreed, for the Plaintiff, on *Lit. Sect.* 334, 335, 336-7. *Co. Lit.* 205, 206-7, and they said, that tho' a Condition was not in strictness of Law deviseable; yet since the Statute of Uses, the Devisee may take Benefit of it by an equitable Construction of that Statute, and that *Nathaniel* might have released or extinguished his Right.

### *Hewitt versus Ireland.*

Case 304.

ONE *William Stringer* being seised in Fee of an Estate in Right of his Wife, and having Issue only one Daughter, who was about the Age of 10 Years, *Stringer* and his Wife enter into an Agreement with the Plaintiff for the Sale of this Estate; and that out of the Purchase-

Husband and his Wife having Issue one Daughter, join in a Conveyance of the Wife's Land, and agree that 600 *l.* part of the Purchase-

Money should be settled in Manner following, viz. 30 *l.* a Year, the Interest thereof to be paid the Husband during his Life, and after his Death to his Wife for Life, and after their Deaths the Interest to be paid to such Daughter or Daughters, as shall be begotten between them, till they shall attain their respective Ages of 21, or be married; and then the principal Sum to such Daughter or Daughters; but in Case there shall be no Daughter, then to the Survivor of the Husband or Wife. A. married the Daughter, and in Consideration of this 600 *l.* made a Settlement on her, the Daughter died in the Life Time of her Father and Mother, and soon after the Mother died without Issue, the Husband is intitled to it as her Administrator.



Purchase-Money, 600 *l.* should be secured as a Provision for the Wife and her Children, and Conveyances were executed to the Plaintiff accordingly; and the 600 *l.* part of the Purchase-Money was secured by Way of Mortgage, in this Manner, viz. 30 *l.* a Year, the Interest thereof was to be paid to *William Stringer*, the Husband, during his Life; and after his Death to his Wife for her Life; and after their Deaths, then the Interest to be paid to such Daughter or Daughters as shall be begotten between them, 'till they shall attain their respective Ages of 21 Years, or be married; and then the said principal Sum of 600 *l.* to such Daughter or Daughters equally between them; and in Case there shall be no such Daughter or Daughters, then to the Wife, in Case she shall survive her Husband; but in Case he shall survive her, then to the Husband, his Executors and Administrators.

The Defendant *Ireland* intermarried with the Daughter which *Stringer* and his Wife had before this Settlement, and in Consideration of this 600 *l.* made a Settlement on her; the Daughter died in the Year 1708, and in the Year 1715 the Mother died, *Ireland* took out Administration to his Wife, and by Virtue thereof claimed this 600 *l.* *Stringer* the Husband claimed it, as surviving his Wife, and there was no other Issue, save only this Daughter, which was born 10 Years before the Settlement.

And now the Plaintiff brought this Bill in the Nature of an Inter-pleading Bill, that he might know to which of the Defendants he might with safety pay the Money, and it was decreed for the Defendant *Ireland*; for it was said it could never be the Intent of this Settlement to provide for Daughters which might probably be never *in esse*, and in Fact, as the Case has happened, never were *in esse*, and to leave a Daughter, which was then about 10 Years of Age, had never done any Thing to disoblige her Parents, and was wholly unprovided for, without any Provision at all; that tho' the Words seemed to have

a future Relation from the Time of the Settlement ; yet the Intent was only futurely, as to those which should be begotten at the Death of the Father and Mother, that this Daughter came within that Construction, that it was like a Limitation to one and his Issue, *Procreatis* or *Procreandis*, that if it were *Procreatis*, it would take in those born after ; if it were *Procreandis*, it would let in those born before ; so here the Intention never was to exclude this Daughter, and consequently the Defendant her Husband is intitled to it, and it was decreed accordingly with Costs.

A Limitation to one and his Issue, *Procreatis* takes in those born after, to one and his Issue, *Procreandis* extends to those born before.

*Warner versus Hone.*

Case 305.

*Thomas Gladwin* being possessed of several Leasehold Houses for several Terms for Years, makes his Will, and thereby devises his said Leasehold Houses to *Anne* his Wife for her Life, and after her Death, I give and devise the same to *Alice Bunion*, and her three Sons equally amongst them.

A Devise of a Leasehold Interest to *A.* and her three Sons equally amongst them, creates a Tenancy in Common, tho' there is

no Mention of any Division to be made.

And it was decreed, that they took as Tenants in Common, tho' there was no Mention of any Division to be made, or equally to be divided between them ; and accordingly the Plaintiff, who was Administrator of *Alice Bunion*, and had brought this Bill for an Account of the Profits, had an Account of the Profits for the Time past, and that he should be let into a fourth Part of the Rents and Profits for the Time to come.



Case 306.

*Atwood versus Atwood.*

A Wife cannot, either by herself or her Prochein Amy, bring a *Homine Replegiando* against her Husband.

**I**N this Case it was held, *per Cur'*, that a Wife cannot, either by herself or her Prochein Amy bring a *Homine Replegiando* against her Husband, for he has by Law a Right to the Custody of her, and may if he think fit, confine her; but he must not imprison her, if he does, it will be good Cause for her to apply to the Spiritual Court for a Divorce, *Propter Sevitiam*, and the Nature and Proceedings in the Writ *de Homine Replegiando*, show that it cannot be maintained by the Wife against her Husband.

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## Term. S. Trinitatis,

1718.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Spence versus Allen.*

Case 307.

**I**N this Case Interrogatories, and the Depositions of Witnesses taken on them, had been suppressed, for that the Interrogatories were leading, and then Publication passed; and now the Court was moved, that a new Set of Interrogatories might be drawn and settled by a Master for the Examination of this Witness, whose Evidence was very material, and yet must be wholly lost if the Court would not indulge them this Way; and tho' the Practice has been always against it, and it was insisted to be of dangerous Consequence; yet one Precedent being produced to this Purpose, and the Interrogatories which had been suppressed were such as might have been drawn by many other Council, without any Apprehension of their being leading the Court to let in the Party to the Benefit of this Witness's Testimony, ordered Interrogatories to be put in, and settled by a Master for his Examination over again.

A new Set of Interrogatories allowed to be settled before a Master, the former being suppressed, as leading.

*Wright*



Case 308.

*Wright versus Pilling.*

Whether a  
Judgment  
Creditor may  
as well secure  
himself by  
buying in a  
Prior Incum-  
brance, as a  
third Mort-  
gagee may  
by taking an  
Assignment  
of the first  
Mortgage.

ONE *Crokroft* being possessed of a Term for Years, determinable on the Death of his Wife the 16th of *April* 1694, borrows of the Defendant the Sum of 40 *l.* and the 18th of *July* 1704, he borrows of the Defendant a further Sum of 83 *l.* and gives him a Bond for both; in *Hill*. Term 1704, the Defendant obtains Judgment on his Bond against *Crokroft*; but before he had taken out Execution, *viz.* 7 *March* following, *Crokroft* Mortgages this Term to the Plaintiff, who was an Attorney, and had been concerned for him as such in several Causes, and had expended several Sums of Money for him therein, which are mentioned to be the Consideration of the Mortgage; and on the 10th of the same Month purchases the Equity of Redemption; on the 23d of the same Month the Defendant takes out a *Fi. Facias* on his Judgment, and this was sold thereon by the Sheriff to one *Harrison*, but this was in Trust for the Defendant; after which the Defendant having Notice that there was an old Mortgage standing out, which was made the 21st of *July* 1699; he takes an Assignment of that Mortgage, and also takes an Assignment of a Judgment, which one *Sparks* had obtained some Years before against *Crokroft*, and for the Mortgage he paid 144 *l.* and on the Judgment about 30 *l.* and the Plaintiff having brought his Bill against the Defendant, had a Decree at the *Rolls* to be let into a Redemption, on Payment only of what he had paid for the Assignment of the Mortgage, for that, as it was held, he could not so tack his own Judgment, and the Judgment of which he had taken an Assignment to the Mortgage, as to withhold the Term from the Plaintiff, who had now not only a Mortgage, but had also purchased in the Equity of Redemption; and the Defendant thinking himself agrieved by this Decree, did now Appeal from it.

And it was argued for him, that he ought to hold this Term 'till both his Debts were satisfied, that it was like the Case of a third Mortgagee buying in the first, that he should hold out the second Mortgagee, 'till his whole Money satisfied; that the Plaintiff was an Attorney, and the whole Consideration of this Mortgage and Purchase was made up of Bills of Costs, and Business done; that his Deeds in Truth were antedated, and that there was little or nothing due to him.

On the other Side it was argued by Mr. Vernon, that the Difference had always been taken between a General Incumbrancer by Statute or Judgment, and a Purchaser or Mortgagee; that the one was no lien on any particular Part of the Estate, but affected it only at large, whereas in Case of a Mortgage or Purchase, the Party contracted for that particular Part; that if a Man had confessed 20 Judgments or Statutes, the last could not by buying in the first hold out all the intervening Judgments; which the Court agreed to be so, because, when the Debt on the first Judgment was paid, that Security determined and expired of itself; and Mr. Vernon said, he had always taken the Course to be, that a Judgment Creditor could not any Ways mend or better his Security, by taking in a Prior Mortgage, and cited the Case of Sir William Bassett to that Purpose; and he likened it to the Case of a Dowress, which must take as the Law gives it; but a Jointress contracts for the very Estate itself; that this was but a Term for Years, and therefore not affected with the Judgment 'till the *Fi. Fac.* lodged in the Sheriff's Office, which was not done 'till the 23d of March, long after the Plaintiff's Mortgage and Purchase; that this was the stronger, because Crockroft had not the legal Interest of the Term in him neither; that he had only any equitable Interest in it at the Time of this Execution taken out; and tho' the Sale of the Term might in Equity pass that Interest, yet it ought not to hurt the Plaintiff, or hold him out, who was a prior Purchaser; that there was no Proof of antedating, nor did



it appear, that the Consideration of the Plaintiff's Purchase was made up as the Defendant pretended; but at last the Defendant offering to go before a Master, and to pay him all that he could prove to have really paid, or to be really due to him, together with Interest and Costs, the Plaintiff was advised to comply with it, and to turn his Purchase into a Mortgage, which he consented to, and so the Cause went off.

But my Lord Chancellor, and several at the Bar seemed not to agree to the Distinction taken by Mr. Vernon, but thought a Judgment Creditor might as well secure himself by taking in a prior Mortgage, as the third Mortgagee, for that his Judgment was a lien on the Land, and when he gets in a prior Mortgage, that ought not to be taken from him 'till Payment of his whole Debt.

On Appeal from the Rolls to my Lord Chancellor, the Cause is open, and the Party is at Liberty to read new Proof, and offer what he can against the Decree.

And in this Case one Question was, Whether on the Appeal the Party might be admitted to read to any Thing which he had not before proved on the first hearing; and my Lord Chancellor was of Opinion he might, for that, as he said, it was to be inrolled as his Decree, and the Appeal was only to give him an Opportunity of hearing what could be offered why he should not inroll it as his Decree; and therefore the Cause was intirely open, and the Party at Liberty to offer what he could against his signing and inrolling the Decree.

Case 309.

### *Augier versus Augier.*

In what Cases a Court of Equity will Decree a Wife Alimony, tho' she may have a Sentence for it in the Spiritual Courts.

THE Plaintiff brought this Bill by her Prochein Amy, against the Defendant, her Husband, for a special Execution of Articles, whereby the Defendant was to allow her 32 l. per Ann. separate Maintenance.

It appeared in the Cause, that the Plaintiff brought 1200 l. Portion to the Defendant, who was a Hop Merchant, and lived in Southwark, and was a Man of good Credit and Business, and soon after Intermarriage, such Differences

Differences arose between them, that it became impossible for them to live together any longer.

On the Plaintiff's Part it was proved, that the Defendant had several Times beat and abused her, that he had whiped her with a Horse Whip, tore her Head Cloaths, and deny'd her Necessaries.

On the Defendant's Part it was proved, that the Plaintiff was a Woman of a most perverse, morose, and malicious Temper; that she would suffer none of the Defendant's Friends or Relations to come to the House; that she had oftentimes affronted the Defendant's Father (who as it was proved in the Cause, was a Man worth 20000 *l.*) and Mother; that she did all she could to vilify and expose the Defendant; that she chose to wear the dirtiest Cloaths she had; that she would often, when Customers were in the Shop, take Occasion to come out and ask for Money to buy her Bread, tho' it was proved the Defendant kept a very plentiful House; that he allowed the Plaintiff, even to Superfluities; that he had made her Presents of fine Cloaths, a Gold striking Watch, and several other Ornaments; that the Plaintiff was addicted to drinking Brandy, and other strong Liquors to excess; that she was guilty of the most provoking, disdainful Behaviour possible towards her Husband; and that at last she left him for about two Months, after which she libelled in the Spiritual Court for Separation and Alimony; and whilst the Cause was there depending, the Defendant entred into the Articles in Question, with one *Abell*, in Behalf of the Plaintiff, whereby the Defendant agreed to allow his Wife 52 *l. per Ann.* separate Maintenance, and to permit her to live where she thought fit, without any Molestation or Disturbance from him; but the Defendant being desirous to have his Wife home again, and to come to a Reconciliation with her, for some Time had withdrawn the Payment of this Allowance, which was to be 20 *s.* a Week; therefore to have the Arrears for the Time past, and the growing Rents and Payments during



during the Time of their Separation, this Bill was now brought.

The Defendant insisted, the Plaintiff was not intitled to the Assistance of this Court for carrying these Articles into Execution; that to decree that, was to decree a Separation, which was the Business only of the Spiritual Court; that Alimony continued no longer than till they became reconciled, and consented to cohabit; but if these Articles be decreed to be executed, no Reconciliation afterwards could set them aside; that the Wife in this Case was not at all bound; that the Articles were only signed by *Abell*, and not by her; and therefore it is unreasonable, that the Husband should be fast, and the Wife loose.

On the other Side it was argued, that these Articles ought to be carried into Execution; that they were intended to supply the Sentence in the Spiritual Court, and to prevent the Charge and Trouble of a solemn Litigation there; that the Husband, by entring into them, had given Sentence against himself, and could not be charged, even at Law for any Debts of his Wife's; that the Husband and Wife were often considered in this Court as separate Persons; that tho' this Court could not decree Alimony, yet it might decree Execution of Articles according to the Parties own Agreement; and several Precedents had been in this Court to that Purpose, as Sir *James Oxendon* and his Lady, and a Case of *Catting* and *Catting*, and several other Cases.

My Lord *Chancellor* was of the same Opinion, and said, that to decree an Execution of these Articles, was not to invade the Jurisdiction of the Spiritual Court; that the Intent of these Articles was to save the Expence of a Sentence in the Spiritual Court; that if these Articles could not be decreed here, they would be of no Force any where; that there was no Remedy upon them at Common Law, for there the Wife could not sue her Husband; that it could not be pretended that the Spiritual Court had any Power to decree a Performance of them;

them; that where a Husband makes a separate Provision for the Wife, he is not chargeable by Law for her Debts; but tho' that were so, yet to avoid the Expence he might be put to in defending such Suits, he sent it to a Master to settle a Security to indemnify him against the Wife's Debts, and decreed the Arrears and growing Payments of the *12 l. per Ann.* to be paid to the Wife, and said, this was not a Decree of Alimony, or to decree a Separation between them, for that they might whenever they thought fit come together again, and then the Articles would be no further binding.

*Walsam versus Skinner.*

Case 310.

**I**N this Case it was agreed by the Council on both Sides, that an after-born Child should come in with the rest for their Customary Share of a Freeman of London's Personal Estate.

An after-born Child of a Freeman of London shall come in with the others for a Customary Share.

2dly, It was agreed as an undoubted Rule, that where a Freeman died Intestate, leaving a Wife and Children; that one third Part of his Personal Estate, and the Widow's Chamber was to go to the Wife, one other Third to the Children; and the dead Man's Third to go according to the Statute of Distributions, viz. two Thirds to the Children, and the other Third to the Wife; and that the dead Man's Third was not at all under the controul of the Custom.

The Third Part of a Freeman of London's Personal Estate, which he has a Power of disposing of, shall upon his dying Intestate, go according to the Statute of Distributions.



# DE Termino S. Mich.

1718.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 311.

### Bacon versus Clerk.

*A.* seised of an Estate in Possession, and of a Reversion Expectant on the Death of *J. S.* devises the Estate in Possession to his Wife for Life; and having a Son and a Daughter, he devises the Estate in Possession after his Wife's Death, and likewise his Reversion, to his Son, upon Condition that he paid the Daughter 1000 *l.* within 12 Months after the Death of *J. D.* and on Default, that she may enter. *J. D.* died, living the Wife and *J. S.* on a Bill brought by the Daughter and her Husband, decreed the Portion to be raised, tho' neither of the particular Estates were determined.

*Abraham Clerk*, Father of the Plaintiff and Defendant, being seised of an Estate in Possession in *London* and *Middlesex*, and of another Estate in Reversion, in the County of *S.* expectant on the Death of *Horatio Herne*, by his Will devises his Estate in *London* and *Middlesex* to his Wife for Life; and after her Death, to the Defendant his Son, and his Heirs; and also devises his Estate in the County of *S.* to the Defendant, and his Heirs likewise, from and after the Death of *Horatio Herne*, upon Condition, nevertheless, that my said Son shall pay unto my Daughter *Elizabeth* (the Plaintiff's Wife) the Sum of 1000 *l.* within 12 Months after the Death of *Elizabeth Herne*; and if he does not pay the said 1000 *l.* that then my said Daughter shall enter into my said Lands and Estate in *London* and *Middlesex*, and receive the Rents and Profits thereof 'till the said 1000 *l.* shall be paid. The whole Estate was about 230 *l.* per Ann. *Elizabeth Herne* died in 1713, soon after the Testator's Death; but the Testator's Widow and *Horatio Herne* were both still living.

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And this Bill was brought to have the Reversion of these Estates sold forthwith, and the 1000 *l.* paid to the Plaintiff, with Interest, from the Death of *Elizabeth Herne*; the Cause came on only on Bill and Answer; and therefore, tho' it was said, the Reason of appointing this 1000 *l.* to be paid within 12 Months after the Death of *Elizabeth Herne* was, because she had an Estate of 130 *l. per Ann.* for Life, which after her Death came to the Defendant; yet there being no Proof of that, it could have no Weight at all in the Case.

For the Plaintiff it was urged, that tho' the Estates which were to be the Fund for raising this Portion, were yet but Reversions; yet the Portion became due from 12 Months after the Death of *Elizabeth Herne*; that this was a Charge on the Estate in Equity from that Time; and therefore it ought to be raised by a Sale of the Reversion, and Interest to be computed from the Time it became due; that the Clause which gave her a Power of entring, in Case it were not paid, was only an additional Remedy; and therefore she could not enter whilst the Life Estates were in Being; yet that was not to postpone the Time of Payment of her Portion; that if she must wait 'till the two Estates for Life fell, she might never have any Portion at all; that this Condition being annexed to the Devise of the Estate to the Heir at Law, was void at Law; but yet it amounted to a Charge in Equity, then it was usual to decree a Sale of such Reversions, as has frequently been done of Reversionary Terms for Years, that Children might not be without their Portions when they have most Occasion for them; that if *Elizabeth Herne* had been still living, tho' the two Life Estates had dropt, yet the Plaintiff could not have demanded her Portion; but now *Elizabeth Herne* being dead, tho' the two Life Estates are still in Being, yet her Portion is become due.

On the other Side it was argued, the Intention of the Testator was plain, that this Portion should not be raised 'till the Estates fell in, that he had therefore given her a



Power of Entry, to receive the Profits, in Case the Portion was not paid, which yet she could never do whilst the Estates for Life continued; that the Defendant was Heir at Law, and by this Construction of allowing Interest, might be so loaded as to have nothing left; that the Course of selling Reversionary Terms to raise Portions was new; and my Lord *Compter* declared, had it been *res integra*, he would not have done it; that therefore it ought to be carried no further; that a Case of *Butler and Duncombe* was now under my Lord's Consideration on that very Point.

But the Master of the Rolls was of Opinion, that it was not the Testator's Intention this Portion should wait till the Reversions fell in; that the Estate being devised to the Heir at Law, the Condition was plainly void at Law, according to *Boraston's Case*, 3 Co. 20, that the Estates for Life being still in Being, the Daughter had no Remedy but in a Court of Equity to have her Portion raised; that this amounted to a good Charge in Equity, and that Decrees for Sale had been frequent in the like Cases; and therefore decreed the Reversions to be sold, and the 1000 l. to be paid to the Plaintiff, with Interest from 12 Months after the Death of *Elizabeth Herne*, and said, the Clause which gave a Power of Entry, was only to be intended, in Case the Estates for Life fell in the mean Time, so that she might thereby enter, not to delay the Payment of the Portion till that Time.

Case 312.

*Anonymous.*

The Tradesmen, who trust a married Woman with Necessaries suitable to the Degree and Quality of the Husband, shall recover of the Husband; yet if any Person lends her Money which is actually laid out in Necessaries, they cannot sue the Husband; but Equity will suffer such Persons to stand in the Place of those of whom such Necessaries were bought.

IT was agreed in this Case, that Tradesmen who trust a married Woman for Necessaries, shall recover against the Husband, so far as the Goods taken up appear to be necessary, according to the Degree and Quality of the Husband; but if a Man lends such married Woman Money, wherewith to buy Necessaries, and she

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accordingly lays out the Money, that the Person who lent the Money, has no Remedy to recover it against the Husband; and this was agreed to be a settled Distinction in *Scott* and *Manby's* Case, and other Cases; and therefore the Plaintiff, who in this Case had supplied the Woman with Money in her Necessities, and now brought his Bill against the Executors of the Husband, for a Discovery of Assets, and a Satisfaction thereof of his Debt, could have no Relief on that Head, though the utmost unkind and cruel Usage of the Husband was proved; and that the Money lent was actually laid out and applied for Necessaries; but yet the Master of the *Rolls* said, the Plaintiff should stand in the Place of those Tradesmen, who had supplied the Wife with Necessaries, and be let into a Satisfaction for so much as he could prove to have been advanced or delivered to her by them, as Necessaries, as they themselves should have been, if they had been Plaintiffs, but for nothing more.

### Lady Pierpoint versus Lord Cheney. Case 313.

**T**HE Duke of *Kingston*, on the Marriage of his Son the Lord *Kingston*, settles Lands to the Value of about 900 *l. per Ann.* to the Use of himself for Life, Remainder to his Son the Lord *Kingston* for Life, Remainder to Trustees for 500 Years, with Remainder to the first and other Sons of that Marriage, and the Term is declared to be, that in Case there should be but one Daughter, then she to have 10000 *l.* for her Portion; and if there should be two or more Daughters, they to have 20000 *l.* to be equally divided between them, and to be paid at their respective Ages of 21 Years, or Days of Marriage, which should first happen; and in the mean Time, to have for their Maintenance 300 *l. per Ann.* 'till their Ages of 12 Years, equally between them,

*A. on his Son's Marriage, settles Lands on himself for Life, Remainder to the Son for Life, Remainder to Trustees for 500 Years for raising Portions for Daughters, payable at 21, or Marriage, with Maintenance in the mean Time to commence, after his, or his Son's Death. The Son has Issue a Son and a Daughter,*

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ter, and dies: Whether she Daughter shall have a Maintenance out of this Reversionary Term in the Life Time of her Grandfather?



and from thence, 'till their Ages of 21, or Marriage, 400 *l. per Ann.* equally between them, the said yearly Maintenances to be paid at the four most usual Feasts in the Year, the first Payment thereof to begin, and be made at such of the said Feasts as should first and next happen after the Death of the said Duke of *Kingston*, and Lord *Kingston*, or either of them; the Lord *Kingston* had Issue a Son the Lord *Dorchester*, and also a Daughter, and then died.

And now this Bill was brought in the Life Time of the Duke, to subject this Term in Remainder, to the raising the 300 *l. per Ann.* for the Daughter's Maintenance, 'till 12, and for the raising the 400 *l. per Ann.* from thenceforth, 'till the Portion became payable; and that this might be done by a Mortgage of the Term, the Direction being, that it should be raised out of the Rents and Profits, which would, according to the Constructions in Equity in like Cases, amount to a Direction for the Sale or Mortgage thereof, if necessary; and for this were cited these Cases of *Gerrard and Wright*, *Cotton and Cotton*, *Corbett and Maidwell*, and other Cases, where Reversionary Terms had been decreed to be sold or mortgaged for raising Portions, even in the Father's Life Time, where the Time of Payment was come.

But this was opposed, and said, 1<sup>st</sup>, That no such Direction had ever yet been given for the raising of Maintenances only, whatever had been done as to the Portion itself. 2<sup>dly</sup>, That none would advance any Money on such a Reversionary Term, where the Rents could not be immediately Subject to answer the Interest; or if it could be raised, yet the Interest would so far eat into the Profits of the Estate, that it would not be sufficient to raise the Portion itself when it became due.

My Lord *Chancellor* said, he was of the same Opinion with those who had sat in that Court before him, that it was hard to extend the Construction on these Settlements to the Sale or Mortgage of such a Reversionary Interest; and that in Settlements drawn with Skill, there

was always a Restriction that it should not be done 'till the Term commenced in Possession; but since, there was no Restriction in the present Case; and yet this was only for raising the Maintenance, and not the Portion itself, which might, by subjecting the Term to an immediate Mortgage or Sale, be in Danger of being very much lessened or sunk; he sent it to a *Master* to enquire and state the Value of the Estate, and then to refer to the Court for farther Directions.

*Bromfielf versus Wytherley.*

Case 314.

**I**N this Case a Difference was taken by my Lord *Chancellor*, that if an Executor or Trustee of Money, places it out in the Funds, or on other Security, whereby he gains considerably, that he shall have the whole Benefit thereof to himself, in respect of the Hazard he run of being a considerable Loser thereby, which he must have born; but if such Trustee or Executor were an Insolvent Person at the Time of placing out such Trust Money, there the *Cestui que Trust* shall have the whole Benefit gained thereby, as he only could have born the Loss thereof, if any had happened; the Trustee or Executor, by Reason of his Insolvency being incapable thereof, and consequently running no Hazard at all.

An Executor or Trustee Insolvent at the Time they place out Money at Interest, shall, if they make any pay Interest, as they run no risk, *secus*, of one who who is in good Circumstances.

*Babington versus Greenwood & UX.*

Case 315.

**T**HE Plaintiff's Father being a Freeman of *London*, and having no Real, but only a Personal Estate, does by Articles in 1694, on his Marriage with *Frances* his Wife, now the Wife of the Defendant, in Consideration of 1500 *l.* Portion, to be paid to the Trustees, covenant within two Years after the Marriage, to pay 1500 *l.* to the Trustees; and his Wife's Father covenants likewise within the same Time to pay them 1500 *l.*

A Freeman of *London*, on his Intermarriage, agrees with Trustees to add 1500 *l.* to the Wife's Portion, which was 1500 *l.* more, to be laid out within two Years after the Marriage for in a Purchase of Lands,

and settled on the Husband for Life, Remainder to the Wife for Life, in lien and bar of her Dower and Jointure, Remainder to their Issue; this is no Bar of the Wife's Customary Share.



for his Daughter's Portion, which two Sums making 3000 *l.* are directed to be laid out in the Purchase of Lands, to be settled on the Husband for Life, Remainder to Trustees during his Life, to preserve Contingent Remainders, Remainder to the Wife for Life, for her Jointure, and in Bar of Dower; Remainder to such Child or Children to be begotten between them, by such Proportions, and in such Manner as he by Writing or Writings attested by three or more Witnesses should direct; and for want of such Direction to such Child or Children, equally to be divided between them, and their Heirs; and for want of such Child or Children, to his own right Heirs. The Marriage takes Effect, the two Plaintiffs are the only Issue of that Marriage; the Husband in 1703, by Will devises 3000 *l.* apiece to the Plaintiffs, to be paid at 21; and taking Notice of his Marriage Articles, and that a Purchase and Settlement had been made pursuant thereto; he confirms that Settlement, and devises the same Lands to his Wife according to the Settlement, for Life, and after her Death to his Children the Plaintiffs; and gives the Residue of his Personal Estate, except his Plate and Furniture, to the Plaintiffs, for their Lives, and in Case of their Deaths, to his Wife the Defendant, whom he makes Executrix, and dies; the Wife after his Death proved the Will, and gave Security to the *Chamberlain of London* for 5649 *l.* 9 *s.* 7 *d.* ;, being the Surplus of his Personal Estate; and now the Plaintiffs having attained their full Age, being about 13 Years after the Testator's Death, brought this Bill against the Defendant and his Wife, who was the Widow and Executrix of the Plaintiff's Father, for an Account of his Personal Estate, and to have their several Legacies paid them; the Defendants by Answer insisted, that the Husband, the Plaintiff's Father, being a Freeman of *London*, she was intitled to her Third Part, as his Widow, by the Custom, and whether she should be allowed it or not, was the principal Point.

For the Plaintiffs it was argued, that the Husband being a Freeman of London at the Time of his making this Settlement, must be supposed to have in his View, and under his Consideration the making of such Settlement as a Freeman could make, which considered as such, could be only of his Personal Estate; and with Regard to the Influence he must be supposed to know the Custom would have over it at his Death, when the Settlement on his Wife was to take Place; that this was the stronger, in Regard it did not appear, that he had any Real Estate whatsoever at the making this Settlement; and therefore it was so far a diminution and lessening of his Personal Estate, to make this Provision for his Wife, which ought to be looked upon as a compounding with her for any Customary Share thereof; and it was said, that this differed in that Respect from the Case of *Atkins* and *Waterston*, where it appeared, that the Husband at the Time of the Marriage had a Real Estate, and made a Settlement thereof on his Wife, and therefore, there nothing was taken out of his Personal Estate, as there is in this Case, and cited the Case of *Hancock* and *Hancock*, where a Man covenanted to lay out a Sum of Money in the Purchase of Lands to be settled on his Wife for her Jointure, and in bar of Dower; and after the Marriage, he purchased a Leasehold Estate only, and settled it accordingly, and this was decreed, and afterwards affirmed on a Rehearing to be a Bar of the Wife's Customary Share.

But it was argued on the other Side, that this Settlement was only, that the Wife might be sure of some Provision in all Events; that the Custom did not operate on the Personal Estate, 'till the Freeman's Death; that if he should the very Day before his Death have laid out his whole Personal Estate in the Purchase of Lands, and declare expressly, that it was to prevent the Custom operating upon it, that in that Case the Wife would be without Remedy; that therefore since it continued Personal



Estate to the Time of his Death, she ought to have the Benefit of it; that immediately upon these Articles the Money was to be so far looked upon as Land, that it must go to the Wife and Issue accordingly; that if a Purchase had not been made, they might have brought a Bill in this Court to have compelled it, that it was no Ways relative to the Personal Estate, and therefore could be no Bar to any Share coming out of the Personal Estate; that it might as well be pretended to be a Bar of the Share on the Statute of Distributions, if the Husband should die Intestate, where he was not a Freeman; that Real and Personal Estate were of two different Kinds, and a Provision out of one had no Relation to the other; that in the Case of *Atkins and Water-son* it was clearly decreed to be no Bar; and tho' that was a Settlement of Lands, that could make no Difference; for the Money in this Case, as soon as the Articles were executed, was to be looked on as Land too; and Mr. *Vernon* cited a Case of *Platt and Stanton*, where it was decreed by my Lord Chancellor *Cowper* in *Mich. Term 1717*; that a Provision for a Child on her Marriage by a Freeman, was no Bar to any future Share she might be intitled to by the Custom, no more than it would be to her taking by Descent, or Devise.

Lord *Chancellor* was clear of this Opinion, that from the Time of the Articles, the Money was a Debt which the Husband was obliged to pay, that it was no Part of his Personal Estate from that Time, but must be looked upon as Land, and then it could be no Bar of her Customary Share of the Personal Estate, that the Custom did not operate at all 'till the Party's Death; and then whatever Personal Estate was left, was to go according to it.

There was another Point in this Case, Whether the Wife should take any Benefit at all by the Will, since now she thinks fit to claim by the Custom; and a Case of *Langston* versus *Langston* was cited, that she ought

not, that she ought wholly to adhere to the Will, or wholly to the Custom. But my Lord Chancellor seemed to be clear, that if the Will no Ways interfered with the Custom, but that there was sufficient, over and above what was given to the Wife, to answer her Customary Part, and the Children's, that she might well take, for he might give his own Testamentary Part, as he thought fit, and to say, that the Wife should be excluded in that Case from taking any Part of the Testamentary Share devised to her, would be to say, that he had a Power of disposing a Third Part to any Body, provided it were not to his Wife and Children, which would be absurd and monstrous; but it being urged, that there were abundance of Precedents to the contrary, it was directed, that they should be searched before any Determination given on this Point, and yet it seems not at all unreasonable, that the Wife having in all Events secured herself of a Provision, and of a Provision too out of the Personal Estate, and that before Marriage, in Respect of which the Husband is bound, so that whatever Accidents or Misfortunes befall him, he has no Power or Controul over that, not for the Payment of Debts, Provision for Children, or any other Emergency whatsoever; that upon these Considerations, the rest of the Personal Estate should be looked upon to be entirely free and exempt from the Custom, and the rather, for that if a Man before Marriage settles a Jointure out of Lands, be it never so small, it will totally bar the Wife to claim any further Jointure, or to have Dower out of her Husband's Estate, tho' it should be increased to many Thousands a Year at his Death, and why, therefore, should not this Provision out of the Personal Estate bar her likewise to claim any further Share thereof.

*Note,* It came on after, on the Master's Report, when the Lord Chancellor decreed the Testamentary Third to



go towards the making up the Plaintiffs, their Legacies 3000 l. apiece, by Virtue of the Devise of the Residuum to them; but decreed the Plate and Furniture to the Wife, by Virtue of the said Will, tho' she had rejected the said Will as to her Customary Share, which was compared to *Fox* cont' *Edmondson*, where in such Case she was even debarred of any Freehold Estate given her by the said Will, and so *Kilson* cont' *Kilson*, and other Cases.

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 taking any Part of the Testamentary Share devised to her, would be to say, that he had a Power of disposing a Third Part to any Body, provided it were not to his Wife and Children, which would be absurd and monstrous; but it being urged, that there were abundances of Precedents to the contrary, it was directed, that they should be searched before any Determination given on this Point, and yet it seems not at all unreasonable, that the Wife having in all Events secured herself of a Provision, and of a Provision too out of the Personal Estate, and that before Marriage, in respect of which the Husband is bound, to that whatever Accidents or Misfortunes befall him, he has no Power or Control over that, not for the Payment of Debt, Provision for Children, or any other Emergency whatsoever; that upon these Considerations, the Will of the Personal Estate should be looked upon to be entirely free and exempt from the Custom, and the rather, for that it is a Man before Marriage settles a Jointure out of Land, he is never so small, it will really be the Wife to claim any further Jointure, or to have Power out of her Husband's Estate, tho' it should be intended to her. **E D E** *Thompson* a Year at his Death, and why there-fore, should not the Provision out of the Personal Estate have her likewise to claim any further Share thereof.

Now, it came on after, on the Master's Report, when the Lord Chancellor decreed the Testamentary Share to

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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1718.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Coleman versus Wince.*

**T**HE principal Question in this Case was, Whether on a Bill brought by the Purchafor of Lands from the Heir at Law of the Mortgagor to redeem, the Mortgagee, could retain a Bond Debt of the Mortgagor to his Mortgagee, so as to oblige the Purchafor to pay both, before he redeemed, as without Question he might have done upon such a Bill brought by the Heir at Law of the Mortgagor before any Sale made.

the Mortgage Money and the Bond Debt.

And it was argued, that he might, because the Purchafor deriving under the Heir, and standing in his Place could not be in a better Condition than he himself would have been, if he had been Plaintiff, and had brought this Bill; and especially since, by the Statute against fraudulent Devises, the Creditor is at Liberty to follow the Lands in the Hands of the Devisee, as well as against the Heir himself, and the Alienation in this Case was meerly voluntary, and the Mortgage forfeited at Law.

Cafe 316.  
7 February.  
In Court Ld  
Macclesfield.  
A Man  
Mortgages  
Lands, and  
after borrows  
more Money  
of the Mort-  
gagee on  
Bond, the  
Alinee of the  
Heir of the  
Mortgagor  
not obliged  
to pay both  
the Mortgage Money and the Bond Debt.



But it was held by my Lord Chancellor, and decreed accordingly, that the Alienee of the Heir might redeem the Mortgage, without paying the Bond Debt; for tho' it is true, that the Heir must have paid both in such a Case, yet the Reason of that is, because the Heir is expressly bound, and it is his own Debt, so that the Action upon the Bond is brought against him in the *debit* and *detinet*; and tho' by the Civil Law he may substitute the Lands which he had by Descent, in Discharge of his Person, yet he may, if he thinks fit, dispose of those Lands, and make his Person liable; but by our Law, before the Statute if *Riens per Descent* were pleaded, the Plaintiff could only reply, that he had Assets by Descent, at the Time of the Writ purchased; for if he had disposed of them before, the Plaintiff had no Remedy; but now by the Statute, the Plaintiff may reply, that he had Assets by Descent before the Writ purchased at such a Time, and if found for him, he shall have Execution in Value against the Heir, which before he could not have; but he can no more follow the Lands in the Hands of the Alienee, than he can the Goods in the Hands of the Vendee of the Executor, for the Person of the Heir is Debtor, and not the Lands, and consequently the Lands in the Hands of the Alienee can be charged with nothing but what is an immediate Lien thereon, which the Bond is not; tho' the Lands in the Hands of the Heir himself shall be liable in this Case, to pay both the Bond and Mortgage, on a Bill brought by the Heir for a Redemption.

So if a Man possessed of a Term for Years, mortgages it, and dies indebted to the Mortgagee in a Bond Debt; if the Executor brings a Bill to redeem, he must pay both, because the Equity of Redemption of the Term is Assets in his Hands; but if he alien the Equity of Redemption of this Term, tho' he shall be answerable for the Value, as it is so far a *Devastation*, yet the Purchaser shall be charged with no more than was immediately borrowed

borrowed upon it ; and it was also held in this Case, that the Bond Creditor of the Heir himself shall be preferred before a Bond Creditor of his Ancestor, after such Alienation made, whether it were voluntary, or for a valuable Consideration.

**Termino Paschæ,**

1719.

**IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.**

***Hawkins versus Turner.***

**I**N this Case it was agreed, that a Bond given to resign on Request, should not be made Use of, to turn out the Incumbent, unless for Non-Residence, or some great Misdemeanor ; nor would the Ordinary accept of a Resignation offered by the Incumbent, without some such Cause shown ; but if the Patron made Use of the Bond to extort Money from the Incumbent, without some such Cause shown, this Court would grant an Injunction ; and a Case of one *Sands*, of *Gloucestershire* was cited, and also of *Wood* and *Lumby*, before Mr. Justice *Blencow*, lately in the Absence of the *Chancellor*, where, tho' the Patron had taken a Bond to resign, when his Son should

Case 317.

May 4.

In Court Ld  
*Macclesfield*.  
Tho' Bonds  
of Resignation  
are not prohibited  
by Law ; yet if  
they are made  
Use of to extort  
Money from the  
Incumbent, or  
to turn him  
out for any  
Thing but ill  
Behaviour,  
or Immorality,  
Equity  
will grant an  
Injunction against them.



should be in Orders, and qualified; yet having made an ill Use of the Bond some Time before, the Court would not suffer him to proceed upon it at Law, tho' they seemed all to agree, that these Bonds were not prohibited by the Law, so far as they were made Use of, only to keep the Incumbent to Residence and good Behaviour, and to discourage Immorality.

Case 318.

*Harkness versus Bayley.*

Lands devised to one in Fee, and afterwards mortgaged to the same Person, is a Revocation *in toto*; but if mortgaged to a Stranger a Revocation *quoad* the Mortgage only.

**R**ichard Bayley being possessed by Way of Mortgage of the Remainder of a forfeited Term for 2000 Years, of Lands in *Norfolk*, by his Will in 1675, devises 1500 *l.* apiece to his three younger Children, and the like Sum to the Child his Wife was then ensient with; and if any of his Children died before 18, or Marriage, their Shares to go to the Survivors or Survivor of them, and gave the Residue of his Estate after the Payment of his Debts and Legacies, to his Wife *Priscilla*, and made her sole Executrix, and died; his Wife was afterwards delivered of a Daughter, who together with two of the other three Children, all died under Eighteen, and unmarried, and the Defendant was the only surviving Daughter.

*Priscilla* the Mother, after her Husband's Death Purchases the Inheritance and Equity of Redemption of these Lands, in the Name of *William Bayley* her Son, in Trust for her and her Heirs; and this Inheritance was afterwards convey'd to another, in Trust for the Mother and her Heirs, who afterwards took a Conveyance of the Inheritance to herself, by which the Inheritance seemed to be merged; then the Mother makes her Will, 6th of *June* 1710, and thereby devises these Lands to the Defendant her Daughter, and her Heirs; and afterwards for securing 4000 *l.* to the Defendant, wherein she stood indebted to her, for her own, and her three Sisters Legacies, and Interest, and wherewith those Lands

Lands by the Father's Will were chargeable in the Mother's Hands; the Mother, together with her Son *William Bayley*, join in a Mortgage of these Lands to the Defendant the Daughter for 500 Years, with a Proviso to be void, on Payment of 100 *l.* *per Ann.* to the Daughter, during her Mother's Life, and the 4000 *l.* and Interest within three Months after her Death.

The Defendant the Daughter never executed this Mortgage, or any Counterpart thereof; this Mortgage was made the 29th of *September* 1711, and the Mother died the 18th of *March* 1712, *William Bayley* the Brother, being indebted to the Plaintiffs in several Sums of Money due to them by Bonds, makes his Will, and thereby devises all his Real and Personal Estate, after his Debts paid, to the Defendant his Sister, and her Heirs and Assigns for ever, and there being a Deficiency of Personal Assets to satisfy their Debts,

The Plaintiffs brought this Bill to subject these Lands to a Sale, for Satisfaction of their Debts, and the only Question was, Whether this Mortgage for 500 Years to the Daughter, were a Revocation of the Devise thereof in Fee to her, by her Mother's Will? For if so, then the Inheritance and Equity of Redemption subject to that Mortgage descended to *William Bayley*, and by consequence was well subjected by his Will to the Payment of his Debts; or if this Mortgage should only be a Revocation *quoad* the Term Mortgage, and the Inheritance and Equity of Redemption continue well devised to the Daughter, by her Mother's Will, as it was urged it ought; and that the Mother's Intention in making this Mortgage to her, was only with Design to secure the 4000 *l.* she stood indebted to her, not to revoke the Devise thereof to her in Fee.

But it was decreed to be a Revocation of the Devise in Fee, being made to some Person, and therefore Inconsistent with the Devise, as *Cro. Car.* 49. *Cook* and *Bullock's Case*, tho' agreed, if the Mortgage had been made



to a Stranger, it had only been a Revocation *quoad* the Mortgage, and the Defendant was decreed to account for the Profits from her Mother's Death.

Case 319.  
In Court Ld  
Macclesfield.  
A Lessor suffers the Lessee to hold the Lands after the Lease is determined, Equity won't compel the Tenant to Account for the Mesne Profits, unless the Lessor was hindered from entering, by Fraud or some extraordinary Accident.

### Duke of Bolton versus Deane.

**I**N this Case a Lease had been made by some of the Duke's Ancestors, under whom he claimed, to one *James Deane*, for the Life of himself, and of *Anne* and *Elizabeth* his two Daughters, and the Life of the longer liver of them; upon *Deane's* Intermarriage with the Defendant his second Wife, these Lands were settled on her by Way of Jointure for her Life, and they had Issue a Daughter, who was likewise named *Elizabeth*; then *James Deane* died, and afterwards his two Daughters, being the two remaining Lives in the Lease, died likewise, whereby in strictness of Law that Lease was at an End; but there being still a Daughter named *Elizabeth* alive, the Duke's Ancestors, or the Duke, made no Entry, but concluded the Lease was still subsisting, and the Defendant had held these Lands under this mistaken Title for several Years; but now, very lately, upon an Inspection into the Lease, the Mistake being discovered, the Defendant acquainted the Duke with it, and he had Possession delivered to him, and now brought this Bill for an Account of the Rents and Profits from the Time of the Determination of the Lease.

Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, that where one has Title of Entry, and neglects to enter, or to bring his Ejectment, but sleeps upon it for several Years; that as he has no Remedy at Law for the Mesne Profits, so neither has he in Equity, for it was his own Fault he did not enter, and he shall never come into a Court of Equity for Relief against his own Negligence, or to make the Tenant in Possession, who held over his Lease, to be but his Bailiff or Steward, whether he will or not; but in the present Case, by Reason of this Circumstance

of both Daughters being of the same Name, and the Mistake consequent thereupon, the Defendant was decreed to Account for the Mesne Profits from the Time of the Expiration of the Lease, and so it would be where any Fraud had been used to conceal the Title from the Lessor, or in Case of an Infant; but otherwise generally, where the Party has no Remedy at Law, he shall have no Relief in Equity for the Mesne Profits, but from the Time of an Entry made, which he at his Peril ought to have taken Care of so soon as his Title began.

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## Term. S. Trinitatis,

1719.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Lockey versus Lockey.*

Cafe 320.  
In Court Ld  
*Macclesfield.*  
An Infant  
who neglects  
to enter fix  
Years after he  
comes of Age  
is as much  
barred by the  
Statute of Li-  
mitations  
from bring-  
ing a Bill for  
an Account  
of Profits, as  
he is from an  
Action of  
Account at  
Common  
Law.

**I**N this Cafe my Lord *Chancellor* was clear of Opinion, that where one receives the Profits of an Infant's Estate, and fix Years after his coming of Age he brings a Bill for an Account, that the Statute of Limitations is a Bar to such Suit, as it would be to an Action of Account at Common Law; for this Receipt of the Profits of an Infant's Estate, is not such a Trust, as being a Creature of a Court of Equity, the Statute shall be no Bar to, for he might have had his Action of Account against him at Law, and therefore no Necessity to come into this Court for the Account; but the Reason why such Bills are brought here, is from the Nature of the Demand, that they might have the Discovery of Books, Papers, and the Parties Oath, for the more easy taking of the Account, which they cannot so well do at Law; but if the Infant lies by for fix Years, after he comes of Age, as he is barred of his Action of Account at Law, so shall he be of his Remedy in this Court; and there is no Sort of Difference in Reason between the two Cases.

Another Point was, Whether an Agreement not in Writing being executed on one Part, and an Enjoyment accordingly, whether this could be so far impeached as to lay the Party open to an Account for the Profits he had received under this Enjoyment; and the Court was clear of Opinion he should not, for this would be much harder than setting aside the Agreement at first for want of Writing, which yet, if executed on one Part, had been always looked upon so far conclusive, as to induce the Court to decree an Execution on the other Part, not to destroy or avoid the Agreement, so far as it was already carried into Execution; and therefore in *Leicester* and *Foxcroft*, could the Party who had built upon the Ground, if he had enjoy'd the Houses for several Years have been liable as a wrong Doer, to account for the Rents and Profits, for want of the Agreement's being reduced into Writing, most certainly he should not.

An Agreement, tho' not in Writing, being executed on one Part, and an Enjoyment accordingly, Equity won't destroy or avoid long as it has been already carried into Execution.

But the Matter of the Roll was clear in Opinion  
that this was no fraudulent or voluntary Settlement.  
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For the Plaintiff ought to be satisfied by  
the Treaty, previous to the Marriage; and that there-  
Children, for whom no Provision appeared to be made  
before being made after Marriage, especially as to the  
element, on Pretence the same was voluntary and fran-  
this Bill against the Wife and Children, to set aside their  
ditors of the husband; and now after his death he has  
sons, in the usual form; the Plaintiffs were Sold Cir-  
~~for himself, who had been to them all and gave~~  
himself for late, Remanded to his Wife for life, for  
made a settlement of 1470 pounds on her children on  
husband four years after, on payment of the 1500 l.  
father of the child; the Marriage took Effect, and the  
into Settlement of her, without taking any Notice what  
the Payment of 1500 l. of his making a Child's Portion  
making a Settlement, the Wife's Father gave a Bond for  
husband being under Age, and so incapable of  
In the Marriage of the Defendant, her intention



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## Termino S. Mich.

1719.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 321.

*Brunsdon versus Stratton.*

A Settlement  
made after  
Marriage on  
the Wife and  
Children,  
pursuant to  
Articles en-  
tered into pre-  
vious to the  
Marriage,  
tho' not ex-  
actly agree-  
ing with  
them, not  
voluntary nor  
fraudulent a-  
gainst Bond  
Creditors.

ON the Marriage of the Defendant, her intended Husband being under Age, and so incapable of making a Settlement, the Wife's Father gave a Bond for the Payment of 1500 l. on his making a suitable Jointure-Settlement on her, without taking any Notice whatsoever of the Issue; the Marriage took Effect, and the Husband some Years after, on Payment of the 1500 l. made a Settlement of 147 l. *per Ann.* or thereabouts, on himself for Life, Remainder to his Wife for Life, for her Jointure, with Remainder to their first and other Sons, in the usual Form; the Plaintiffs were Bond Creditors of the Husband; and now after his Death brought this Bill against the Wife and Children, to set aside this Settlement, on Pretence the same was voluntary and fraudulent, being made after Marriage, especially as to the Children, for whom no Provision appeared to be made on the Treaty, previous to the Marriage, and that therefore the Plaintiffs ought to be let in for a Satisfaction of their Debts.

But the Master of the *Rolls* was clear in Opinion, that this was no fraudulent or voluntary Settlement,  
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being but adequate to the Wife's Fortune, and that the Words of the Bond were capable of such a Construction, for that a Jointure Settlement must be intended a Settlement in the Common Form, to the Issue, and a Jointure for the Wife.

And Mr. *Vernon* said, there could be little Doubt of this, since the Case of *Parflove* and *Weedon*, Trin. 1718, where it was held, that tho' since the Statute against fraudulent Devises, a Man could not by Will Devise his Estate to defeat his Bond Creditors, yet any Settlement or Disposition he should make in his Life Time, whether voluntary or not voluntary, would be good against Bond Creditors; for that was not provided against by the Statute, which only took Care to secure such Creditors against any Imposition, which might be supposed in a Man's last Sickness; but if he gave away his Estate in his Life Time, this prevented the Descent of so much to the Heir, and consequently took away their Remedy against him, who was only liable in Respect of the Lands descended; and a Bond was no Lien whatsoever on the Lands in his own Hands; and if he might give them away to a Stranger, much less can this Settlement on his Wife and Children be deemed voluntary or fraudulent, as to such Creditors, tho' he said, that 'till that Resolution, he should have been of another Opinion; and that such a Disposition had been held fraudulent against Creditors, in the Case of *Templeman* and *Beke* tried before my Lord Chief Justice *Holt*, so the Plaintiff's Bill was dismissed in this Case.

It was likewise said by Mr. *Vernon*, that before my Lord *Nottingham's* Time, it was held, that where Lands were devised to be sold for the Payment of Debts and Legacies, that both should be paid *Pari Passu*, but he held that the Debts ought to have a Preference, for that, as he said, he would not make a Man Sin in his Grave, and so it has been held since, that the Debts in such Case shall have a Preference in Payment.

*Turton*



Case 322.

*Turton versus Benson.*

A Bond obtained in Fraud of a Marriage Agreement, tho' afterwards assigned to a Creditor for a just Debt, shall be set aside in Equity.

**T**HIS was an Appeal from the *Rolls*, and was but this: The Plaintiff on his Marriage with the Daughter of Mr. *Benson*, was to have 3000 *l.* Fortune; but the Plaintiff's Mother being living, so that he could make no Settlement without her Concurrence, she in Consideration of the Marriage and Portion joined in making a Settlement adequate to the Fortune; but before the Marriage Mr. *Benson* expressing his Inability to give such a Fortune with his Daughter, having other Children to provide for; Mr. *Turton* and he came to an Agreement between themselves, that to induce the Mother to join in making the Settlement, the Portion should be mentioned to be 3000 *l.* but that *Turton* should give him a Bond to pay him back 1000 *l.* of it at the End of seven Years; and that in the mean Time he should have it without Interest; and accordingly a Bond was given the 29th of *July* 1710, and then the Settlement was made, and the Marriage proceeded before the End of the seven Years. Mr. *Benson* became greatly indebted to the Amount of 10 or 12000 *l.* and then died, and the Defendant his Widow took out Administration, and enter'd into an Agreement with several of the Creditors for the Assignment of this Bond amongst other Securities, towards Satisfaction of their Debts; and it appeared plainly in the Cause, that Mr. *Turton* was privy to, and knew of this Assignment; but now brought this Bill, to be relieved against the Bond, and to have it delivered up as obtained from him in Fraud of the Marriage Contract; and after the Treaty had been agreed to, and a suitable Settlement provided for the Lady.

The Creditors who had obtained the Assignment of this Bond, they likewise brought their Bill to have the Agreement executed, and that they might be at Liberty to proceed in the Name of the Administratrix, for Recovery of the Money due on this Bond, and insisted, that

that whatever Consideration the Bond might have had, whilst it continued in Mr. Benson's Hands, or in the Hands of his Representative, yet now being assigned to them, and they being just and honest Creditors, ought to have the Benefit of it; that whatever Fraud may be supposed in the obtaining of it, yet it being now assigned to them on so just and valuable a Consideration as the Payment of their Debts, that had purged the Fraud, and would make good the Assignment.

That tho' the legal Interest in this Bond could not be assigned to them, being a *Chose* in Action, yet by the Assignment the Administratrix was become a Trustee in Equity for them, and therefore they ought to be at Liberty to make Use of their Trustees Name at Law for Recovery of the Money due thereon; and it was likened to the Case, where a Man purchases an Estate of *A.* to which *B.* has Right, and he has Notice of it, this Notice will affect his Purchase, notwithstanding any Conveyance; but if he after sells this Estate to another Person, who has no Notice of *B.*'s Right, this second Purchasor without Notice shall not be affected by it; but *B.* must take his Remedy as well as he can against *A.* but to make that Case more directly applicable to the present Case, it was urged farther, that if the first Purchasor had sold it to the second, and only given him a Declaration of Trust, so that the legal Estate continued still in him, yet it was said there was no Case could be produced, wherein Relief had been given against the second Purchasor in such Case; that indeed, if the second Purchasor has a Conveyance of the legal Estate, he has them both in Law and Equity, as he has no Notice, and this shall prevail against *B.*'s bare Equity; but even where there is no Conveyance, yet it was urged, that his Equity should be preferred to *B.*'s being without Notice.

On the other Side it was urged, that this Bond was a meer *Chose* in Action; that it was not assignable at Law; and that notwithstanding any Assignment, yet the legal Interest and Property continued in Mr. Benson and his



Representatives; that therefore the Creditors could not be in a better Condition than he himself was; that if Mr. *Turton* had Title to be relieved, whilst it continued in his Hands, the Assignment could not take it away from him, or make his Case at all the worse; and a Case was put by Mr. *Vernon*, where a Man agreed to sell his Copyhold Lands, and made a Surrender out of Court for that Purpose; but the Surrender not being presented within the Year, according to the Custom, became ineffectual; and in the mean Time, the Person who sold becoming a Bankrupt, his Creditors insisted, that for want of an effectual Surrender, the legal Estate continued in the Bankrupt, and therefore ought to be subject to their Debts; and the rather, for that they being just Creditors, as well as the Purchaser, had the Advantage of Weight on their Side, by having the legal Estate; but on a Hearing and Rehearing by Lord Chancellor *Cowper*, it was decreed, that the Creditors could not be in a better Condition than the Bankrupt himself was; that as he might have been compelled to have made good this Agreement with the Purchaser, and to have made an effectual Surrender, so must his Creditors, who stand in his Place and derive under him.

Lord Chancellor. Bonds of this Kind given in Fraud of Marriage-Contracts, are never to be favoured in a Court of Equity; that the Relief sought here against the Bond, is by the Party himself, who was privy to the Fraud, is nothing at all to the Purpose, for so it is in all Cases of this Nature, and can be by none but the Parties concerned; that here Mr. *Turton's* Mother was plainly imposed on to consent to join in a Settlement for 3000 *l.* which, if this Bond should prevail, would sink a third Part of the Fortune; that this Fraud affected the Land *ab initio*, and the Assignment to Creditors cannot mend the Case, for they can be in no better a Condition than the Party himself, who assigned that Bond; that if an Assignment to Creditors would alter the Case, it would entirely put an End to all Applications for Relief in this Court;

Court; that it would then be only to assign such a Bond as this to just Creditors, and all would be safe; that the Creditors having no Notice of the Consideration of giving this Bond, would not at all help them, for suppose the Bond had been a good one, but Part of the Money paid, and then it had been assigned, as if the whole Money had been still due on it, would this affect the Obligor? No more, in this Case, if the Bond was liable to be set aside, whilst it continued in the Obligees Hand, his Assignment of it will not alter it, tho' the Assignees have no Notice of the Nature of it; for an Assignment of a Bond is but an Agreement, that the Assignee shall have the Benefit of all Money to be recovered thereon; and if none were due, or that the Bond were obtained on an unlawful Consideration, no Assignment whatsoever can make it better. I think the Decree at the Rolls was exceeding right, let the Bond be delivered up, and a perpetual Injunction against it.

*Note,* In this Case were cited, 1 *Salk.* 156, *Kemp* and *Coleman*, the Case of *Duke Hamilton* and *Lord Mohun*; and *Mr. Vernon* cited the Case of *Redman* and *Redman*, where the Husband being considerably indebted before Marriage, prevails with his Brother to give Bond for the Payment thereof to the several Creditors, and gives him his own Bond as a counter Security; the Husband dies; and the Brother being forced to pay these Debts, put his counter Bond in Suit against the Widow and Administratrix, but she was relieved against it in this Court. Another Case cited by him was of *Gale* and *Lendo*, where the Woman's Fortune falling short of what was expected, and she being desirous the Match should go on, prevails on her Brother to give her a Bond for so much as was wanted, the Marriage proceeds, the Husband dies, and she took out Administration, and put the Bond in Suit against her Brother, and tho' she herself was Party to the Fraud, yet the Brother was forced to pay the Money, and could have no Relief in this Court.

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Case 323.

**Sir George Maxwell** versus **Lady Moun-**  
**tacute** his Wife.

20 Novemb.  
At my Lord  
Chancellor's  
House.

**I**N this Case a Distinction was taken and agreed by the Court, that where on a Treaty for a Marriage, or any other Treaty, the Parties come to an Agreement; but the same is never reduced into Writing, nor any Proposal made for that Purpose, so that they rely wholly on their Parol Agreement; that unless this be executed in Part, neither Party can compel the other to a Specifick Performance, for that the Statute of *Frauds* is directly in their Way; but if there were any Agreement for reducing the same into Writing, and that is prevented by the Fraud and Practice of the other Party, that this Court will in such Case give Relief; as where Instructions are given, and Preparations made for the drawing of a Marriage Settlement, and before the compleating of it, the Woman is drawn by the Assurances and Promises of the Man to perform it, and after to marry him.

So where a Man treated to lend Money on a Mortgage, and the Conveyance proposed, was an absolute Deed from the Mortgagor, and a Deed of Defeasance from the Mortgagee, and after the Mortgagee had got the Conveyance, he refused to execute the Defeasance; yet my Lord *Nottingham* decreed it against him on the Fraud after the Statute.

So where an absolute Conveyance is made for such a Sum of Money, and the Person to whom it was made, instead of entring and receiving the Profits, demands Interest for his Money, and has it paid him, this will be admitted to explain the Nature of the Conveyance, and a Letter has been held a sufficient Agreement in Writing, if it were signed by the Party, to bring it out of the Statute, and cited the Case of *Leicester* and *Foxcroft*, and other Cases.

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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1719.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*1 Pm Will. 41.**Woodroff* versus *Wickworth.*

Case 324.

**I**N this Case it was clearly agreed, that the Grand-mother was next of Kin, and entitled to the Grand-child's Personal Estate, in Exclusion of the Uncles and Aunts; and so it has been before settled in a Case of *Welsh* and *Duppa*; and in the Case of *Blackborough* and *Davies*, 1 *Salk*, and so was now again resolved in the principal Case.

The Grand-mother is intitled to a Distribution of the Grand-child's Personal Estate in Exclusion of the Uncles and Aunts.

But whether Executors should have the Surplus of the Personal Estate to their own Use, or in Trust for the next of Kin; Mr. *Vernon* said nothing was at present more loose and unsettled.

Whether upon the Will the Devise in Case of Death without Issue being of a Personal Estate were good? Whether admitting it were the dead Brother's Share not still liable to the contingency of Survivorship?

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## Termino Paschæ,

1719.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 325.

*Nicholls versus Skinner.*

At the Rolls.

A. devises Portions to his four Children, payable at their Respective Ages of 21 Years or Marriage; and in Case any of them should die before the Time of Payment, or should die without Issue, then his or their Share to the Survivor or Survivors of them. One of them died under Age, and without Issue

this, tho' a Limitation of a Personal Estate, is good; but liable to the Contingency of Survivorship, 'till it comes to the last of the four Children.

**T**HE Plaintiff's Father having four Children, and being possessed of 2000 l. in the *Bank-Stock*, and of other Personal Estate, makes his Will, and thereby devises Portions to his said Children to be paid, and payable to them at their respective Ages of 21 Years, or Days of Marriage, which should first happen; and in Case any of them should die before the Time of Payment, or should die without Issue, then his or their Share to go to the Survivors, and Survivor of them, and his Heirs. One of them died without Issue under Age, and unmarried, and the Plaintiff, who was one of the surviving Brothers, and married, tho' under Age, brought this Bill for a third Part of the dead Brother's Share, and the Questions were,

1<sup>st</sup>, Whether upon this Will the Devise in Case of Death without Issue being of a Personal Estate were good?  
2<sup>dly</sup>, Whether admitting it were, the dead Brother's Share were not still liable to the Contingency of Survivorship, 'till it came to the last of the four Brothers?

His Honor was of Opinion, and decreed accordingly, that in this Case the Limitation being to the Survivors and Survivor of them, and his Heirs, that it could not be intended a dying without Issue generally, which would make it void; but a dying without Issue in such Manner, as that the Survivors or Survivor might take it, which must be during their Lives, and consequently good. 2dly, That it was liable to the Contingency of surviving, 'till it came to the last, and consequently the now Plaintiff could not have his Share of the Principal of his dead Brother; but in Regard no Direction was given in the Will concerning the Interest, it was decreed he should have a proportionable Part of the Interest during his Life, else the Interest likewise must lie dead 'till it come to the last, which would be very inconvenient; tho' in Cases not so circumstanced the Legatee has not been allowed the Arrears, or growing Interest, for want of a Direction in the Will concerning it; but it has fallen into the *Residuum* of the Testator's Personal Estate.

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Term. S. Trinitatis,

1720.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 326.

*Busb* versus *Western*.

A Man who has been in Possession of a Water-Course 60 Years, may bring a Bill against a Mortgagee, who fore-closed the Equity of Redemption to be quieted in his Possession, altho' he had not established his Right at Law.

**T**HE Plaintiffs had been in Possession of a Water Course upwards of 60 Years, the Defendant claimed the Land thro' which the Water-Course ran, by Virtue of a forfeited Mortgage for 100 Years, and which he had obtained a Decree to foreclose; the Plaintiff's Title was fully proved, and the Bill was for a perpetual Injunction to quiet the Plaintiff's Possession, which the Defendant had interrupted, by making a Cut or Channel thro' his own Lands, and setting up a Sluice at the Mouth thereof, whereby the Water that should have ran to the Plaintiff's Water-Course was totally diverted and prevented.

And tho' it was objected, that if the Plaintiff had any Damages, his Remedy was purely at Law, and that they ought not to come hither, 'till they had established their Title at Law.

2dly, That if they could, yet they ought to have brought those who had the Inheritance of the Lands thro' which the Water-Course ran, before the Court, and that it was not sufficient to have only the Mortgagee.

Yet the Court decreed for the Plaintiff, and agreed it usual to have such Bills in the first Instance in this Court, and cited Lord *Aylesford's* Case lately, and some others; and if the Defendant would have had the Remainder-Man a Party, he ought in his Answer to have shewn who that was, that he had only a Term for Years, and pray'd that he might have been made a Party; but this he had not done, but insisted on his own Title under the foreclosed Mortgage; and therefore that Objection was over-ruled.

### Duke of *Dorset* versus Serjeant *Girdler*. Case 327.

**T**HIS was a Bill brought for a Commission to examine his Witnesses *in Perpetuum rei Memoriam*, to establish his sole Right of Fishery; and it was suggested in the Bill, that the Defendant pretended a sole Right of Fishery, and threatened to bring Actions, and disturb the Plaintiff when all his Witnesses should be dead.

A Man who is in Possession of a Fishery, may bring a Bill to examine his Witnesses *in Perpetuum rei Memoriam*, and establish his Right,

tho' he has not recovered in Affirmance of it at Law, *scilicet*, if he is not in Possession.

To this Bill the Defendant demurred, for that the Plaintiff had not verified his Title at Law, and therefore had no Right to bring his Bill in the first Instance; but the Demurrer was over-ruled, and this Difference was taken and agreed to by the Court.

That if one is out of Possession, having only right to Fishery, Common Rent Charge; he who brings such Bill ought never to be allowed, but a Demurrer to it will be good, because he may and ought first to enter his Action, and establish his Title at Law, otherwise Publication not being to pass 'till after the Death of the Witnesses (as in those Cases it never does, without special Order of the Court) they may be guilty of the grossest Perjury, and yet go unpunished; besides, that the Party having a Remedy at Law, the other Side ought not to be deprived of the Opportunity of confronting the Witnesses, and examining them publickly, which has



always been found the most effectual Method for discovering of the Truth.

But if a Man is in actual Possession, and is only threatened with Disturbances by another, who pretends a Right, he has no other Way in the World to perpetuate the Testimony of his Witnesses, but by such a Bill as this is, for not being actually interrupted or disturbed, he can bring no Action at Law; and in such Case, if this Demurrer should be allowed, there is an End of all Bills to perpetuate the Testimony of Witnesses to Wills, and such like, wherein the Parties pray no Relief, nor ought to do, but only a Commission for the Examination of their Witnesses; and yet even in these Cases, if the Plaintiff should afterwards be evicted or disturbed, these Dispositions cannot be made Use of so long as the Witnesses are living, and may be had to be examined before a Jury.

But in the present Case, if the Defendant had not only threatened to disturb the Plaintiff, but had actually disturbed him by Fishing daily (as it was said he did) he ought to have pleaded this; and that the Plaintiff ought therefore to seek his Remedy at Law, or if the Plaintiff had shewn in this Bill, that the Defendant had actually disturbed him by Fishing, then the Demurrer had been proper, but not for barely threatening.

That here he had by his Answer insisted on his Right of Fishery, and that he hoped to prove it, and for several other Matters disclosed in his Answer, he insisted on his Right thereto, and hoped to prove it; and yet by his Demurrer would debar the Plaintiff from proving any Thing at all; and a Case was cited between *Wynn* and *Hatty* before Lord Keeper *Wright*, at the *Inner-Temple-Hall*, where a Bill was brought of the same Nature touching a Common, and the Demurrer allowed, because there it appeared of his own shewing, that he was interrupted and dispossessed, and therefore had his Remedy at Law.

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*Musell and Cooke.*

Case 328.

**T**HE 19th of February last, the Plaintiff agreed with one Green the Defendant's Broker, for 5000 *l.* South-Sea Stock, at 187 *l.* per Cent. to be delivered about ten Days after, and Green as the Usage is, made an Entry of this Agreement in his Pocket Book; at the Day appointed the Plaintiff attended at the Transfer-Office all Day with his Money, but the Defendant never came, and Stock being in the mean Time considerably risen, the Defendant refused to transfer it, whereupon in April following the Plaintiff brought this Bill for a Specifick Performance of the Agreement, Defendant pleaded the Statute of *Frauds* and *Perjuries*, that no Contract can be good, unless reduced into Writing.

*A. agrees with B's Broker for 5000 *l.* South-Sea Stock, the Broker according to Usage made an Entry of this Agreement in his Pocket-Book, it being no otherwise reduced into Writing, is within the Statute of *Frauds*.*

And it was argued to be a good Plea, that if the Law-Makers were so careful, no Agreement for above 10 *l.* should be binding, unless reduced into Writing, much less ought this to be binding, which is for so much a greater Sum, and those Stocks were Personal Estates.

On the other Side it was said, that those were not at all within the Meaning of the Statute, that at the Time of making that Act, there was no other Stock in Being but the *East-India* Stock, and that only for about 300,000 *l.* which was lodged in a very few Hands, and but little of it sold or transferred; that this Entry or Memorandum of the Broker was the same Thing as if made by the Party himself, and by the Course and Usage in such Cases ought to be allowed a sufficient Evidence in Writing of the Agreement.

But my Lord Chancellor seemed to be of Opinion, that the Plea was good, and said, that it had been so held in many other Cases; but on looking into the Plea, he found, that he had barely pleaded the Statute, without adding, that this Agreement was not reduced into Writing as he ought to have done, and so had not brought his Case within the Statute, and therefore the Plea was over-ruled.

*In pleading the Statute of *Frauds*, it is necessary to say, that the Agreement was not reduced into Writing.*

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*Note.* In this Case, Mention was made of the Case of *Scould* versus *Butter* last Term, where on a Bill for a Specifick Performance of a Contract for *South-Sea* Stock, which was reduced into Writing, the Master of the *Rolls* decreed for the Plaintiff; but on an Appeal to the Lord Chancellor, the Decree was reversed, and the Party decreed only to pay the Difference, and that to do otherwise, might be the greatest Hardship and Injustice in the World, as the sudden Rise of Stock happened.

Case. 329.

### *Greenwood and Brudnish.*

An Executor or Administrator paying away the Assets in satisfying Simple Contract Debts, can have no Relief in Equity against a Bond Debt, altho' they had no Notice of it.

IN September 1705, *John Sayer* made a Mortgage for 160 *l.* to one *Bishop*, the Defendant's Testator; in October 1711, *Sayer* died Intestate, and the Plaintiff without taking out Letters of Administration, possessed herself of his Personal Estate, and paid it all away in satisfying Debts on Simple Contract, *Bishop* died, having made his Will, and the Defendant's Executors who proved the same, and were in Possession of the mortgaged Premises, after, in 1718, on looking into several old Papers and Writings, the Plaintiff found a Will of *William Sayer* the Grandfather of the Mortgagor, whereby these Lands were given to his Son in Tail, and on Search, no Fine or Recovery appeared to be levied, or suffered of those Lands; they were advised the Mortgage was not good, and in Consequence thereof, *John Sayer* the Plaintiff's eldest Son, by her first Husband, who was Heir in Tail, brought his Ejectment, and recovered Possession of the mortgaged Premises, whereupon the Defendant being thus evicted, and having a Bond for Performance of Covenants in the Mortgage Deed, put it in Suit against the Plaintiffs.

And now this Bill was brought for an Injunction to stay the Defendant's Proceedings at Law, on Pretence that they had paid away all the Testator's Assets, before they had any Manner of Notice whatsoever of this Bond, and that the Defendant never gave them Notice of

it; and therefore they ought not to be chargeable with a Devastavit.

To this Bill the Defendants demurred, for that of their own shewing, it appeared, that Affets came to their own Hands, more than sufficient to pay and satisfy this Bond; and that it also appeared by their own shewing, that they paid away these in satisfying Debts on Simple Contract, and of an inferior Nature; and that was to introduce a Course of Administration contrary to Common Law, and the Demurrer was held to be clearly good, and the Bill rejected as an Attempt to alter the Course of Law.

But if any extraordinary Fraud had been charged on the Defendants, by which the Plaintiffs had been deceived or induced to pay away the Affets, that might have varied the Case.

*Clavering's Case.*

Case 330.

**T**HE Plaintiff was intituled to several Collieries of considerable Value, and his Guardians or Trustees during his Minority, had appointed one of the Defendants to look after and manage the same, and also gave him a Sallary for so doing, which they had at Times increased or advanced, as they saw Occasion. The Receiver or Manager for several Years passed his Accompts regularly with the Trustees or Guardians every half Year, and they from Time to Time passed and allowed these Accompts.

A Receiver to the Guardian of an Infant, who has his Accompt allowed him by the Guardian, shall not be obliged to Account over again to the Infant when he comes of Age.

The Plaintiff being now come of Age, brought this Bill, not only against the Trustees, or Guardians, but also against the Receiver or Manager, to have a general Account of what had been received and paid, during his Infancy, or at least, that he might be at Liberty to surcharge or satisfy the Accompts: The Defendant the Receiver pleaded the Accompts themselves, and as to him the Plea was held clearly to be good, for that he was but Servant to the Guardians, or Trustees; and as they had sufficient Authority to employ him, they had the



same to discharge him, and allow his Accompts, and that he had nothing at all to do with the Plaintiff.

That if it were otherwise, none would ever be concerned in an Infant's Affairs; and his Plea should be the rather allowed, for that the Plaintiff was at no Sort of Mischief by it; he was at full Liberty to go thro' the whole Accompt against his Guardians, or Trustees, and they only were responsible to him; and they were so far responsible, that if the Servant they employ'd, had embezzled or gone away with any Sum of Money whatsoever, they must have answered it to the Plaintiff, that the Receiver or Manager appointed by them, was meerly their Servant, and the Plaintiff had nothing at all to do with him, but must go on against his Guardians, or Trustees, who were only and immediately answerable to him.

Case 331.

*Eodem Die.*

When a Bill is exhibited for a general Discovery of Deeds, not necessary for the Plaintiff to annex the usual Affidavit, that he has them not in his Custody.

*Anonymous.*

A Bill was brought for discovery of Writings, and the Defendant demurred, because the Plaintiff had not annexed the usual Affidavit, that he had none of them in his Custody; but the Demurrer was over-ruled; and my Lord Chancellor said, that if on such a Bill as this was, it should be allowed, it would overthrow half the Bills in this Court.

That the only Case where such Affidavits were necessary was, where the Bill was for Discovery of a particular Bond suggested to be lost, or for Discovery of a particular Deed, for want of which the Plaintiff could not recover his Debt at Law, or the Possession in Ejectment; in these Cases it is fit he should make Oath, that he himself has not the Bond or Deed, because if he had, his Remedy is proper and open at Law; and then he is not to put another to the unnecessary Expence of an Answer to deny his having of it.

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## Termino S. Mich.

1720.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Anonymous.*

Case 332.

**I**N this Case were cited a Case of *Ambrose* versus *Ambrose*, and another of *Rawlinson* cont' *Rawlinson* where it had been certify'd to be the Custom of *London*, and was accordingly decreed by the Lord Chancellors *Har-court* and *Comper* successively; that if a City Orphan dies before 21, his Orphanage Part survives to the other Orphans; and that he can make no Disposition by Will to contradict it; but if he dies after 21, at which Time he might have by Will disposed of it there, tho' he die Intestate, it shall go according to the Statute of Distributions, between his Mother, and surviving Brothers and Sisters; and that in the other Case the Survivorship holds only as to the Orphanage Part belonging to himself; for that, if he had by Survivorship the Part of any other of his Brothers or Sisters, that should go according to the Statute of Distributions.

A City Orphan cannot by Will before 21 dispose of his Orphanage Part, so as to prevent Survivorship.

And it was also said, that if a Man married an Orphan, yet 'till 21 his Right was not so vested as to prevent his Wife's Share from surviving, in Case she died before 21, tho' whether the Marriage was before or after 21, the



the Husband was fineable, and might be committed, if he had not the Licence of the Court of Orphans.

Cafe 333.  
Novemb. 18.  
In Court Ld  
Macclesfield.  
A Court of  
Equity won't  
Decree a Spe-  
cifick Execu-  
tion of Ar-  
ticles, where  
they appear  
to be unrea-  
sonable, or  
founded on a  
Fraud.

### Young, versus Clerk.

**T**HE Bill was to have a Specifick Execution of Articles, whereby the Defendant had agreed to let the Plaintiff a Lease of the Premisses for 18 Years, at the Rate of 67 l. 10 s. *per Ann.*

The Cafe was thus, the Plaintiff for about 20 Years last past had held the Premisses, as Tenant to one *Thomas Goodhew*, at the Rent of 40 l. *per Ann.* *Thomas Goodhew* was intitled to those Lands, under a Lease of 21 Years, with Power of a Reversal from the Archbishop of *Canterbury*; and on his Death, which happened about two Years since, the Estate came to *Henry Goodhew*, his Brother, by Virtue of a Family Settlement made the 20th of *December* 1689; and thereupon his Lease being determined, he applied to *Henry Goodhew* for a new Lease; but before a new Lease was made, he likewise died, having first made his Will, and thereby devised this Estate to his Daughter, with whom the Defendant after Inter-married, and thereby in her Right became intitled to the Premisses for the Residue of the Lease, with a Power of Reversal; and thereupon the Plaintiff applied to him likewise for a new Lease, to make up the compleat Term of 21 Years, which *Thomas Goodhew* had agreed with him for, and of which there was about 18 Years to come.

The Defendant had never seen the Land, nor knew nothing of the Nature or Value thereof, and therefore desired him to consider it, and come and see the Lands which lay near *Canterbury*, before he came to any Agreement concerning them; it appeared, and was fully proved in the Cause, that the Lands were worth, and were actually let by the Plaintiff to Under-Tenants, at 3 l. and 3 l. 10 s. an Acre *per Ann.* being *Hop* Lands, and the Tenants were by Covenants in their Leases to plant them and leave them planted with *Hops*, to lay on so many

many Load of Dung every Year, to bear all Parish Taxes, and to be at other Expences, so that the Plaintiff had 167 *l. per Ann.* coming in by them, without any Expence on his Part, tho' he had never paid more than 40 *l. per Ann.* Rent, to *Thomas Goodbrow*.

When the Defendant went down to *Canterbury*, he did take a View of the Lands in the Plaintiff's Company, who had promised and engaged him to lie at his House; but it did not appear, that he had any Opportunity whatsoever of informing himself otherwise than from the Plaintiff himself, who was continually with him, what the Value of the Lands was, nor had the Defendant himself any Judgment, on a bare View of the Lands, what they were worth *per Ann.* but he asked the Plaintiff to let him see the Counter-part of the Leases he had made to his Under-Tenants, which would have fully informed him therein, but that was shuffled off, on Pretence he could not find them, or that they were left with a Friend of his; and so the Defendant knew nothing of the Rent the Plaintiff received from his Under-Tenants, or the Terms on which they held the Lands; and it was fully proved in the Cause, that the Defendant expressed great Dissatisfaction thereat, and was unwilling to come to any Articles or Agreement with the Plaintiff; but by the Importunity of the Plaintiff and others then present, he was prevailed on to agree to it; and thereupon the Articles in Question were drawn up and executed between them, after which the Defendant discovered the Imposition, and that the Plaintiff had above 100 *l. per Ann.* clear above the Rents he was to pay him, and that without any Trouble or Expence whatsoever on his Part: The Defendant on Discovery of this, and informing himself fully of the Value and Nature of the Land, he thereupon refused to execute a Lease pursuant to the Articles; and to oblige him to it was this Bill brought.

Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, that this Court was not bound to decree a Specifick Execution of Articles, where they appeared to be unreasonable, or founded on a



Fraud, or where it would be unjust, or unconfionable to assist them; that from the Circumstances of this Case these Articles were plainly of that Sort; that tho' there was no direct Fraud proved, yet from the great Under-value of the Land, and that too without any Expence whatsoever on the Plaintiff's Part, it appeared to him to be an unreasonable and shameful Contract; that it was indeed good at Law, and therefore left the Plaintiff to his legal Remedy for Recovery of what Damages he could by Non-Performance of the Articles, but dismissed the Bill as to any Specifick Execution thereof.

Case 334.  
23 Novemb.  
In Court Ld  
Macclesfield.

A. Devises  
Lands to his  
Son in Tail,  
and 500 l. to  
B. to be paid  
on a Contingency; the  
Executor pays  
away the Assets in satisfying Bond Debts; the Contingency happens within two

Years after the Testator's Death; yet B. cannot stand in the Place of the Bond Creditors, so as to charge the Devisee of the Lands, nor compel the Executor to pay it out of his own Pocket.

### *Chitton versus Birt.*

ONE made his Will, and thereby devised his Lands to his Son, and the Heirs of his Body, and gave a Legacy of 500 l. to the Plaintiff, upon a Contingency which happened within two Years after the Death of the Testator: In the mean Time the Executor had paid away all the Assets in Satisfaction of Bond Debts; and the only Question was, Whether the Plaintiff, the Pecuniary Legatee, should be admitted to stand in the Place of the Bond Creditors.

And it was decreed he should not; and that Decree now affirmed on a Rehearing, for that the Testator must be supposed to have as great a Kindness for the Devisee of the Lands, as he had for the Legatee of the Money; and a Pecuniary Legatee shall never charge a Specifick Devisee of Lands, even tho' the Lands were specifically devised to the Heir at Law, according to the Distinction taken in the Case of *Herne and Meritt*, 2 Salk. 416, which was cited as a Case in Point; but if the Lands had been left to descend to the Heir at Law, it would have been otherwise; but in the principal Case it would have been much harder still to charge the Executor to pay this Legacy out of his own Pocket, because the

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Contingency might never have happened, or might have happened so many Years after, as would make it an exceeding great Hardship upon him, especially since he had duly administered the Assets in the mean Time, and the Accident happening after, ought not to be admitted to impeach what was done in Pursuance of his Duty before.

*Hartop versus Whitmore.*

Case 335.

A Man by his Will gave a Portion of 300 l. to his Daughter, if she married with her Mother's Consent; but if not, then 200 l. only; the Daughter after, in the Life Time of her Father and Mother, married without the Consent of either of them; but the Father was afterwards prevailed on to give a Portion of 200 l. and died, some Time after, without any Alteration of his Will, and the Daughter's Husband after becoming a Bankrupt, this Bill was brought by the Assignees under that Commission to have the 300 l. or at least the 200 l. given the Daughter for her Portion by the Father's Will.

A. devises to his Daughter 300 l. upon Condition she married with the Consent of her Mother, if not, 200 l. only; she marries in the Life Time of her Father and Mother, without their Consent; but afterwards the Father gives her 200 l. this is a Satisfaction of the Legacy.

But the Bill was dismissed, for that the 200 l. given by the Father in his Life Time, was a Satisfaction of the Legacy, and a Revocation of the Will, as to that Portion, and the 300 l. was to take Place on her marrying with her Mother's Consent, which could only be intended after the Father's Death, and consequently the Legacy never became due at all.

*Emblin versus Freeman.*

Case 336.

Joshua Aylsworth, by Lease and Release, the 20th of April 1713, conveys several Lands to Trustees and their Heirs upon Trust, to sell the same after his Death; and out of the Money arising by such Sale, to pay off

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A. directs that his Estate should be sold after his Death for several Purposes, and amongst others, that 200 l. should

be disposed of as he by a Note should appoint, and dies Intestate, having given no Directions. This 200 l. shall be resulting Trust for the Heir at Law.



a Mortgage which was upon the same Estate, and other Debts by Specialty, and several other Sums of Money to the Plaintiffs, and several others of his Relations, and for Charities, and after Payment thereof, he directed that the Overplus of the Money should be divided amongst the Plaintiffs, and others, Share and Share alike, after a Sum of 200 *l.* which should be liable to a *Note*, under the Hand of the said *Joshua Aylsworth*, payable to the Person or Persons therein to be named and directed, the said Trustees to pay the said 200 *l.* in such Manner and Form as should be appointed by the said *Note*.

*Joshua Aylsworth* after dies Intestate, without any Disposition of the 200 *l.* and the only Question now was, Whether the 200 *l.* should be distributed according to the Statute of Distributions, in regard the Intestate had directed the whole Estate to be sold and turned into Money; and when that was done, then this 200 *l.* was to be subject to his Appointment, and since he had made no Appointment, this 200 *l.* ought to be looked upon as Money, and so Part of his Estate, and to be distributed to the next of Kin.

But it was decreed by the Master of the *Rolls*, and affirmed by my Lord *Chancellor*, that it should be a resulting Trust for the Heir at Law; that no one Rule whatsoever was more certain and invariable in this Court than that the Heir at Law should have so much of the Lands as were not actually disposed of; that this 200 *l.* not being disposed of, did therefore belong to him, as so much of the Land itself would have done, if no Sale were made thereof; and that the Case of *Roper* cont<sup>r</sup> *Radcliff* had settled this Point, and that the Heir at Law was clearly intitled to this undisposed Sum of 200 *l.* whereupon the Decree was affirmed.

*Scudamore & al' versus Scudamore.*

**T**HE Lady *Jane Scudamore*, by her Will in 1696, gave the Sum of 8000 l. to her Daughter Mrs. *Prince*, to be laid out by her in a Purchase of Lands, to be settled to the Use of herself for Life, with Remainder to *John Scudamore*, and his Heirs; and in Case he died in the Life Time of the said Mrs. *Prince*, to the Lord *Scudamore*, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators. *John Scudamore* died in the Year 1714, and in the Life Time of Mrs. *Prince*. The Lord *Scudamore* likewise died in the Life Time of Mrs. *Prince*, in the Year 1716, having about three Months before his Death made his Will, and the Plaintiff his Lady Executrix; and having given several Legacies to the other Plaintiffs, and leaving the Defendant *Frances Scudamore* his only Daughter and Heir at Law, an Infant; and in the Year 1717, Mrs. *Prince* died, and the Money had never been laid out; and now this Bill was brought by the Plaintiff against the Lady *Frances*, Heir at Law, and against the Executors of Mrs. *Prince*, to have the Money, for the Benefit of the Executors and Legatees of the Lord *Scudamore*; and that no Purchase might be made for the Benefit of the Defendant, the Heir at Law of Lord *Scudamore*.

Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, and decreed accordingly, that the Money belonged to the Defendant the Heir at Law, as the Lands would have done if a Purchase had actually been made, as it ought to have been, by Mrs. *Prince* the Trustee; and that to decree it otherwise, would be to put it into her Power and Election which of the two should have it; for if the Purchase had been made, it must have gone to the Heir; but if she by delaying the Purchase may alter the Right, and give it to the Executors, this would be to make it her Will, and not the Will of the first Testator, which would be very unreasonable and inconvenient; and therefore, tho' the Trust for laying out the Money was personally con-

Case 337.  
In Court Ld  
Macclesfield.  
One devises  
8000 l. to be  
laid out in a  
Purchase, and  
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for Life, Re-  
mainder to  
B. and his  
Heirs; but if  
B. dies in the  
Life Time of  
A. then to C.  
and his Heirs,  
B. and C.  
both die in  
the Life Time  
of A. the  
Money not  
being laid out  
upon the  
Death of A.  
This Money  
shall be con-  
sidered as  
Lands, and  
shall go to  
the Heirs of  
C. and not to  
his Execu-  
tors.



An Infant  
not to suffer  
by his Laches  
in not bring-  
ing a Bill in  
Time.

fin'd to Mrs. Prince without nominating Executors; yet they were imply'd and included in it; and this Case was the stronger, because the Heir at Law of Lord Scudamore was an Infant, and as Mr. Prince survived my Lord two Years, the Infant Heir might have brought her Bill against Mrs. Prince herself, the Trustee, to have had the Purchase made, and her Laches in not doing it, is not to turn to her Prejudice, being an Infant; the Cases cited were *Lingen* and *Souray* in Lord Harcourt's Time, and a Case lately decreed of *Jones* cont' *Powell*.

Note, In this Case it was agreed by my Lord Chancellor to be a declared Rule in this Court; that if Money be devised to be laid out in the Purchase of Lands to be settled on one, and his Heirs, that the Person himself, for whose Benefit the Purchase was to be made, may come into this Court, and pray to have the Money itself, and that no Purchase may be made, because none have an Interest in it but himself; but if he dies before the Purchase made, or Payment of the Money, so that the Question comes between his Heirs and Executors, which of them shall have the Money, the Heir shall be preferred, and it shall for his Benefit be considered in a Court of Equity, as if the Purchase had been actually made in the Life of his Ancestor, for two Reasons. 1<sup>st</sup>, Because the Heir is to be favoured in all Cases, rather than the Executors, who by the old Law were to have nothing to their own Use. 2<sup>dly</sup>, If the Executor should have, it would be against the Words of the Will, which gave it to the Heirs.

Case 338.

Vid. Post. S.C.

Whether a  
Release given  
by one who  
Marries the  
Daughter of  
a Freeman of  
London shall  
Bar the Hus-  
band and  
Wife of their  
Customary  
Share.

### Kemp and Kelsey.

THE Plaintiff's Wife was a Daughter of a Freeman of London, and after her Marriage with the Plaintiff, her Father gave her 100 l. and her Husband at the same Time executed a Release for the said 100 l. in full of all his Wife's Customary Part, or Share, which was or might be due to his Wife by the Custom of London, or otherwise by her Father; her Father afterwards made his Will, and thereby devised to his Daughter the Plaintiff's

tiff's Wife 400 *l.* and made the Defendant his own Wife Executrix, and died, having one other Daughter possessed of a Personal Estate, to the Amount of 10,000 *l.*

And this Bill was brought for a Discovery of the Personal Estate; that upon the Plaintiff's bringing the 100 *l.* into *Hotchpot*, they might be let into a Customary Part of the Father's Estate, and suggested some Fraud in obtaining the Release. To this Bill the Defendant pleaded the Release in Barr.

And it was argued for the Plaintiff, that the very End of the Bill being to be relieved against the Release, it was very extraordinary to plead the same Release in Bar, especially as it was alledged to be obtained by Fraud and undue Means, that this Release could not be any Bar in this Case, being given by the Husband after Marriage; that in the Case of *Blundell* and *Barker*, it was a Question, Whether a Child could release a Customary Share, being only a future Right before it became due; and yet that Release was by the Child itself, and before Marriage, but here the Release is by the Husband, and that too after Marriage, which could not Bar any future Right which could be coming to his Wife.

On the other Side it was argued, that the Release was a good Bar, or at least, that the direct Question was, Whether by the Custom of the City such a Release was a good Bar or not; and therefore, 'till the Custom be certify'd to the contrary, the Release is *Prima Facie*, a good Bar; that the Wife herself in this Case could give no Release, being under Coverture; that the Husband is intitled to every Thing which belongs to the Wife, and may release any Right or Thing in Action belonging to her, as he may give away or dispose of her Fortune as he thinks fit, if not precluded by his own Agreement, the whole Power thereof being by Law lodged in him; that the Suggestion of Fraud in obtaining this Release, could not take away the Force of it, or deprive them of the Benefit of pleading of it, for there it would be but to suggest Fraud in obtaining an Award, passing an Account,



count, or procuring a Release, and the Party would be wholly deprived of the Benefit thereof; but the contrary of this is every Day's Experience.

Lord Chancellor said, the Question in *Barker's* and *Blundell's* Case was not, whether the Child could release her Customary Share, for that he thought clearly she could not, being a meer future Right; but whether such Release would amount to a Composition or Agreement in Bar of her future Right, or as they call, be a compounding for her Customary Share; but in this Case the Husband had no Power whatsoever to release a future Right of his Wife's; that she might survive him, and would then be intitled to it in her own Right; besides, this Release is suggested to be fraudulently obtained; and therefore, ordered the Plea to stand for an Answer, with Liberty to except, so as to have an Account of the Freeman's Personal Estate, and the Benefit of the Release to be saved to the Hearing, when the Question would come more properly, whether such Release by the Custom of the City were good or not. *id. 594.*

Case 339.

### *Nicholas and Nicholas.*

In Cases in which Chancery and the Spiritual Courts have a concurrent Jurisdiction, Chancery won't hinder the Spiritual Courts, being first possessed of the Case, from proceeding in it.

THE Plaintiff's Testator by Will among other Things gave two Children 500 *l.* apiece, and one of them being 14, and the other 16 Years of Age, apply'd by their own Father to the Court of Arches, and had him appointed their Guardian, who thereupon cited the Plaintiff, the Executor, into the Spiritual Court, and exhibited a Bill against him for subtracting of Legacies given to his two Daughters; whereupon the Plaintiff, the Executor, brought this Bill in this Court, praying, that an Account may be taken here, and that in Regard the Legatees were Infants, and could not give any legal Discharge for the Legacies, that he might bring it into Court to be put out for their Benefit; and by this Bill offered to bring the Money into Court, and pray'd an Injunction to stay the Proceedings in the Spiritual Court; and on Motion,

Motion, had an Injunction, 'till an Answer, and further Order.

To this Bill the Defendants, the Infants, by their Father and Guardian pleaded the whole Proceedings in this Court, and the Pendency of that Suit before the Bill brought.

And it was argued by Dr. Strahan and Dr. Sayer, two Civilians, in support of the Jurisdiction, that the Spiritual Court has always been allowed to have a concurrent Jurisdiction with this Court in Cases of Legacies arising meerly out of a Personal Estate, as these were; that in all Cases of concurrent Jurisdictions, which Court soever was possessed of the Cause had a Right to proceed, and could not be restrained or prohibited by the other Court; that this was called in Law a Prevention of Jurisdiction; that it was not only so by the Civil Law, but also in all other Courts, which had a Concurrence of Jurisdiction, as between the *Exchequer* and the *Chancery*, the *Counties Palatine* and the *Chancery*, &c. that the Father in this Case was a proper Guardian; and that he must give Security before he can have the Childrens Legacies, by the Course of the Courts; that on Application, if either he or any of his two Sureties died, or became suspected as to his Circumstances, that the Court would oblige them to give better Securities; that they could not indeed say, that by the Course of that Court, the Guardian would be obliged to pay Interest for the Legacies, which was urged on the other Side, was an Argument in Favour of *Chancery*, that they would Order the Money to be put out at Interest for the Benefit of the Children; but the Civilians insisted, that they being first possessed of the Cause, this Court would not injoin them from proceeding to recover the Childrens Legacies.

Lord Chancellor agreed, that in Case of a Concurrent Jurisdiction, their Arguments were just, and that this Court had a Jurisdiction to see, that the Executor, who was but a Trustee, performed his Trust, and that was the Jurisdiction this Court exercised in such Cases; that

The Spiritual Courts cannot oblige a Guardian to pay Interest for the Infants Money in his Hands, tho' they will compel him to give Security, but Chancery will do both.



if the Plaintiff were in earnest, he ought not only to have offered to bring the Money into Court, but he ought actually to have brought it, and that had at once put an End to the Proceedings in the Spiritual Court; yet his not doing of it, plainly proved, that his Bill was only for Delay, and keeping the Money in his Hands; and therefore ordered the Injunction to be dissolved, unless the Plaintiff within ten Days brought the 1000 l. and Interest, from a Year after the Testator's Death into this Court, otherwise they were at Liberty to proceed against him in the Spiritual Court; since, if this Practice would prevail, he might keep the Injunction on Foot as long as he pleased, and, whenever he had a Mind to it, dismiss his own Bill.

Chancery will grant an Injunction to stay the Husband's Proceedings in the Spiritual Courts, for a Legacy given to his Wife, because that Court cannot oblige him to make an Adequate Provision on her.

Mr. Mead cited a Case where this Court, the last Seal, granted an Injunction to stay the Husband's Proceedings in the Spiritual Court, for a Legacy given to his Wife, because the Court could not oblige the Husband to make an adequate Provision or Settlement on his Wife, as this Court would do, before they would permit him to receive the Legacy; and said, the Cause was stronger in respect of the Security for the Benefit of the Infants, which carried Interest; and that the least Security this Court required, was a Recognisance with two Sureties, which affected the Land.

Case 340.

### Opie and Godolphin.

At the Rolls. One who lends Money on a Security, which he is advised by a Lawyer to be a good one, yet if it proves otherwise, and he has Notice that another made Title to it, he must deliver up all the Writings relating to it, the Money.

A Mortgagee for 500 Years brought a Bill to foreclose, but on Proof that he had Notice of the Plaintiff's Title, which was as Contingent Devisee of a Term for Years, on the Legatees dying, without leaving Issue behind him, his Bill was dismissed; and now the Plaintiff brought this Bill for Discovery of Writings, and to have the Mortgage Deed delivered up.

The Court had a Judgment in this Case, that the Plaintiff was to have the Mortgage Deed delivered up, but not the Writings, for there may be Covenants in that for Payment of

The Defendant insisted it was hard enough to lose his Money, that the Plaintiff ought not to force the Writing from him too, especially the Mortgage Deed, wherein was a Covenant for Payment of the Mortgage Money, and wherein possibly they might Recover in Damages, that they had the Opinion of a great Man (Serjeant Hooper) that this Devise over to the Plaintiff was void.

But the Court was clear of Opinion, that the Devise over was good, the dying without Issue being confined to a Life then in Being, and decreed that the Writings should be delivered up to the Plaintiff, for that the Writings followed the Estate; but the Court would not oblige the Defendant to deliver up the Mortgage Deed for the Reasons before urged.

### Ex parte Jephson Serjeant at Arms.

Case 341.

**T**HIS was a Petition by the Serjeant at Arms, that in Regard he was an ancient Officer of the Court, and by the ancient Use of the Court no Process of Sequestration could Issue, but on a Return of *non est inventus* by the Serjeant at Arms; yet by the late Practice, which as it was not introduced above 10 or 15 Years ago, committing the Parties to the Warden of the Fleet, and awarding a Sequestration on his Return of *non est inventus*, that might be altered, and the ancient Course restored; for that otherwise the Serjeant at Arms by this late Method of Practice was deprived of his Fees; and a Case was cited in 1685, in the Time of Lord Jefferies, where a Man that was committed to the Fleet for not performing a Decree, and after made his Escape, and got into Holland, as appeared by Affidavit; yet the Court would not grant a Sequestration upon Return of *non est inventus* by the Warden of the Fleet, but awarded a Process to the Serjeant at Arms, to take him upon the Return of *non est inventus*, then a Sequestration to go.

The Nature of the Serjeant at Arms's Office, that he must return a *non est inventus* before a Sequestration can go.

And



And it was urged, the late Practice to the contrary was an Innovation, and ought to be altered; so where the Defendant had Time given him to put in his Answer upon entering his Appearance with the Register, which was a Practice introduced about 20 Years ago, and was for the Expedition of the Suitor in shortning the Process, the Course was on the Expiration of the Time, to move, that he might Answer in four Days, or stand committed, upon which Method of Proceeding, as it was alledged, no Sequestration could Issue 'till a return of a *non est inventus* by the *Serjeant at Arms*, and not such a Return by the Warden of the *Fleet*.

That this Commitment to the *Serjeant at Arms* was no greater Expence to the Suitor, than when the Commitment was immediately to the *Fleet*; that if he obey'd the Order, whilst in Custody of the *Serjeant at Arms*, there was no farther Proceedings against him; if he did not, the *Serjeant at Arms* was the Officer of this Court, that was to send him to the *Fleet*.

That this was his proper Office to search and find out the Contemnors of this Court; and the Warden of the *Fleet*, whose Office it was to attend at the *Fleet*, and take Care of Prisoners sent thither, was not to be supposed to be absent from thence, or to take them immediately into Custody, but as they were brought to him by the proper Officer.

That it was true, in Case of Contemptuous Words, or for a Contempt in assaulting or striking any who shall serve the Process of this Court, the Commitment was immediately to the *Fleet*; but the Reason of this was, because the Commitment in that Case was in Nature of a final Execution; that no Process of Sequestration was to go upon it, but he was to answer the Interrogatories and clear his Contempt, and pay the Costs, which was the Punishment he was to undergo, and the only one in that Case, and so for not bringing of Writings into Court; but that wherever a Sequestration was to go, there must be first an Order for Commitment to the *Serjeant*

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at Arms, and upon his Return of *non est inventus*, then the Sequestration to Issue, and consequently the Commitment immediately to the Fleet, after which the Order for entring his Appearance with the Register, was not only unnecessary, but a Burthen to the Suitor.

My Lord Chancellor ordered the Register to look into Precedents, and to certify to him how the Practice had gone; but said, that if the *Serjeant at Arms* was intituled by the ancient Course to a Fee by the Caption in these Cases, that it could not be altered without an Act of Parliament; that tho' he approved very well of shortening the Process of the Court, yet the Question was concerning the diverting of the Process of the Court, Whether it should go to the *Serjeant at Arms*, or to the Warden of the Fleet, for the Process was not at all shortned by it, but a Wrong done to the *Serjeant at Arms*.

That in Case of entring an Appearance with the Register, no Wrong was done to any one more than another; that the Course was formerly to grant an Attachment, then a Proclamation, then a Commission of Rebellion, then a *Serjeant at Arms*; but that by the late Practice of entring his Appearance with the Register, before any of those Processes awarded, or at any Time after, and before the last Process for a Commitment, every Thing was admitted to be right, and he was supposed to be in Court, so as to stand committed, if he did not answer in four Days after the Time expired; and the Warden of the Fleet being in Court, insisted, that the entring his Appearance with the Register, prevented the Necessity of any previous Order for his Commitment, even to the *Serjeant at Arms*, but this was not clearly agreed; but as to the other Process precedent to the Commitment to a *Serjeant at Arms*, it was clearly agreed to be cut off by his entring his Appearance, and this my Lord said was no Injury to any one, because none of the preceeding Process issued at all, and consequently could not Issue to a wrong Person, and said, it would be the same too, even in the Case of the *Serjeant at Arms*,



if the Courle of the Court should be certified to be, that no Procefs to him was necessary; but that the Commitment might be immediately to the *Fleet* on his not answering within the Time, after entring his Appearance with the Register; but whether that was the Courle or not, was the principal Question, and concerning which, my Lord would be attended with Precedents.

It was said, in this Case, that the Practice of granting Sequestrations was very ancient, and the Warden of the *Fleet* said, he had a Table of Fees as ancient as 3 *Eliz.* which were the Fees for each Days proceeding in the Sequestration; but it was agreed by the Court, that at first the Sequestration was only to sequester the Thing in Demand, but that for some Ages past, it has been extended also to the Goods and Chattels of the Party.

It was likewise said, that by a *Cepi* returned by the Sheriff of the County, the Party was to be brought up and committed to the *Fleet*, by Order of the Court, if he did not appear and answer, the Bill was to be taken *pro Confesso*, and to bring him on a *Cepi* returned, the Sheriff was to be amerced, or an Order to be made for a Messenger to go to him.

Afterwards, *Saturday* 13th of *May* 7 *Geo.* the following Order was made.

## ORDO CURIÆ.

### *Ex parte Servient ad Arma.*

“ **W** Hereas the *Serjeant at Arms* attending the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, on the 18th Day of *February* last, preferred his humble Petition to his Lordship, setting forth, that by the ancient Rules and Practice of this Court, the *Serjeant at Arms*, is intitled to take all Persons into Custody, who stand in Contempt to a Commission of Rebellion, returned *non est inventus*; but that

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“ the Court hath of late for Contemners not appearing  
“ to be examined on Accounts before the Masters of  
“ this Court, not producing Writings and other Con-  
“ tempts, granted Orders of Commitment, without  
“ issuing forth the usual Proceſs againſt them; and that  
“ the Court of late frequently gave Defendants further  
“ Time to Answer, on entering their Appearances with the  
“ Register; and that thereupon for not answering at  
“ the Time limited, Commitments have been granted,  
“ and the ſaid ſeveral Orders of Commitment have been  
“ executed by the Warden of the Fleet, or elſe he has  
“ made Return *non eſt inventus*; hereupon Sequeſtrations  
“ have been obtained contrary to the ſaid ancient Rules  
“ and Practices; by which Means the Proceſs of this  
“ Court is now rarely carried on by a *Serjeant at Arms*,  
“ and he is thereby deprived of great Part of his Fees  
“ and Profits belonging to his Office; and the ſaid Pe-  
“ tition coming to be heard before his Lordſhip, on the  
“ 18th Day of March laſt, in Preſence of Mr. Solicitor  
“ General, Mr. Lutwich, and Mead, of Council ſo the  
“ *Serjeant at Arms*, and Mr. Cowper and Mr. Williams of  
“ Council for the Warden of the Fleet, upon hearing of  
“ the ſaid Petition read, and what was alledged on  
“ either Side, his Lordſhip order'd, that Precedents re-  
“ lating to the Matters aforeſaid, ſhould be laid before  
“ him; and Council again this Day attending him upon  
“ hearing ſeveral Precedents read; and what was further  
“ alledged on either Side, declared, that no Sequeſtration  
“ can regularly Iſſue to ſequeſter the Eſtate of any Per-  
“ ſon who cannot be found; but upon the Return *non*  
“ *eſt inventus* of the *Serjeant at Arms*, and doth there-  
“ fore Order, that from thenceforth, where any Perſon  
“ is in Contempt, either for want of an Appearance or  
“ Answer, or for not yielding Obedience to any Order of  
“ this Court (unleſs it be for contemptuous Language, or  
“ the beating and abuſing any Perſon in the ſerving the  
“ Proceſs of this Court, or other Contempts of the  
“ like Nature) the *Serjeant at Arms* attending this Court,  
“ do



“ do apprehend and bring the Contemner to the Bar of  
 “ this Court, to answer such Contempt; but if the  
 “ Contemner cannot be found, then to return *non est*  
 “ *inventus*, to the End a Sequestration may regularly  
 “ issue according to the ancient Rules and Practice of  
 “ this Court, and that Process do for the future issue  
 “ accordingly; and that it may be made a Part of all  
 “ Orders for giving Time to answer, or for doing any  
 “ other Act upon the Party's entring his Appearance  
 “ with the Register; that the Party when he enters such  
 “ Appearance, do likewise consent, that a *Serjeant at*  
 “ *Arms* do go against him, as upon a Commission of  
 “ Rebellion, returned *non est inventus*, in Case of Non-  
 “ Compliance; and that this Order be hung up in the  
 “ Registers and Six Clerks Offices of this Court, that all  
 “ Persons may take Notice thereof, and yield Obedience  
 “ to the same.”

Edward Goldsborough, Dep. Register:

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## Termino S. Hillarii,

1720.

IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Earl of *Strafford* versus Lady *Wentworth*.

SIR *Henry Johnson* was Tenant for Life, with Remainder to the Lady *Wentworth*; Sir *Henry* made Leases for Years, reserving the Rent at *Lady-Day* and *Michaelmas*, by half Yearly Payments, and died on *Michaelmas-Day*, about 12 a-Clock at Noon, and the Question was, Whether these Rents belong to the Plaintiff his Representative, who had taken out Administration to him, or whether they should go along with the Land to Lady *Wentworth*, in Remainder, or whether the Tenants should have the Benefit of retaining them in their own Hands, as belonging neither to the Plaintiff or Defendant.

had a Power of Leasing, and had died in Manner aforesaid, the Rent in respect to the of the Lease, must have gone to the Remainder-Man, as incident to the Reversion.

The Case was opened and debated by the Attorney and Solicitor-General for the Plaintiff, but before any others had spoke to it, it was sent to a Master to State the several Facts, as to the Leases, that is to say, what Leases had been made by Sir *Henry*, as to the Part of the Estate whereof he was leased in Right of his Lady, what Leases, as to that Part whereof he was Tenant for Life, and

Case 342.  
8 February.  
In Court Ld  
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Tenant for  
Life makes a  
Lease for  
Years, refer-  
ving Rent at  
Lady-Day and  
Michaelmas,  
and dies on  
Michaelmas-  
Day about 12  
a-Clock at  
Noon, the  
Rent shall go  
to his Execu-  
tor, and not  
to the Re-  
mainder-  
Man; but if  
such Tenant  
Continuance



what Power was reserved by his Marriage Settlement, to make Leases; and what Leases were made by Parol, and what in Writing; and whether in Pursuance of his Power, or whether by Virtue of his Interest.

But my Lord *Chancellor* declared, that if Tenant for Life makes a Lease for Years, reserving Rent at *Lady-Day* and *Michaelmas*, during the Term, and dies in *Michaelmas* or *Lady-Day*, at 12 a-Clock, or any other Time before the last Instant; that the Rent in such Cases is nevertheless due to his Representative; for tho' the Lessee had Election to pay it any Time before the last Instant of those Days, if this Lease had so long continued; yet it being payable on those Days, during the Term, and the Lessor being living some Part of those Days, his Election to defer it to the last Instant was taken away by such dying, before the Rent became compleatly due, and consequently it would belong to the Representatives of the Lessor; and this he said was so clear, that he would no more send it to be determined at Law, than he would, whether the Father's Estate should descend to the eldest Son; for the Term having a Continuance some Part of those Days, the Lessee at his Peril ought to pay his Rent before the Expiration of the Term, it being payable on those Days during the Term, and the Term did subsist on those Days, tho' not to the last Instant.

And this was the Case of the *Lady Cole*, in the *Northern Circuit* in the late King *William's* Reign, wherein Mr. Justice *Tracy* took the Advice of the Judges, and gave his Opinion accordingly; that where the Lessor Tenant for Life on such a Reservation, died about six a Clock in the Evening, that the Rent was become compleatly due, and belonged to his Executor, else he himself could not give a proper Discharge for it, 'till the last Instant, which most certainly he may at any Time of the Day, whereon it is payable, and this does not at all contradict *Baskervill's* cont' *Mayo*, in *Sand.* 283.

But if such Lease were made, by Virtue of a Power to make Leases in a Settlement, as the Term subsisted, and had Continuance there by the Death of the Lessor before the last Instant, the Rent would go along with the Land to him in Remainder, or Reversion; because being payable on those Days during the Term, the Lessee had 'till the last Instant of those Days to pay his Rent, the Term enduring 'till the last Instant of those Days, and consequently the Lessor dying before it was compleatly due, his Representatives can make no Title to it, and so he said, if such Lease were only an equitable Lease, that is, such a Lease as ought to be made good in a Court of Equity, tho' it were in some Circumstances defective in the Execution of it, and not strictly pursuant to the Power; and in those Particulars, my Lord *Chancellor* was clear, and said, there could be no Manner of Doubt of them.

Afterwards this Cause came back upon the Master's Report, to whom it was referred to settle the Nature of the several Leases made by Sir *Henry Johnson*; and upon his Report, it appeared, that some of them were made by him generally, and those determined on his Death, others were made by Virtue of a Power for making Leases, and those still continued; and my Lord was clear of Opinion, that as to Leases of the first Sort, the Rents belonged to his Executors, because, tho' for the Benefit of the Tenants they had 'till the last Instant of *Michaelmas-Day* to pay the Rents; yet the Reservation being at *Michaelmas-Day* and *Lady-Day*, consequently so soon as either of those Days began, they were at their Peril to take Care that they were paid accordingly, because they were then actually become due to Sir *Henry Johnson*, who made the Leases, and his Right to the Rent became actually vested in him.

But as to the Leases made, by Virtue of the Power, they still had Existence and Continuance after the Death of the Lessor, in the same Manner as they had during his Life; and therefore the Tenants had 'till the last Instant  
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of those Days to pay the Rents, and then, when the Lessor died before, the Rent goes along with the Reversion to those who are intitled to it.

Cafe 343.

### Lady Shaftsbury's Cafe.

*A.* is appointed Receiver of an Estate, out of which he is to pay *B.* an Annuity quarterly, *A.* acquaints *B.* who his Banker was, and that the Money should be deposited in his Hands for his Use. *B.* names another, being a Person he used to deal with, and Orders him to pay it into his Hands, which *A.* did several Times; but the Money payable on Michaelmas, being paid in, on July before, on Michaelmas-Day the Banker stops Payment, and became a Bankrupt, it was held, that the Loss should fall wholly on the Receiver, *B.* having no Right to the Money before that Day.

**T**HE Lady Shaftsbury being intitled to 800 *l.* per Ann. Jointure; and on the Decree and Master's Report, 600 *l.* per Ann. being allowed for the young Earl of Shaftsbury's Maintenance and Education, one Mr. Wych was appointed Receiver of the Rent of the Estate, and to make Payment of both these Annuities to the Lady Shaftsbury. Mr. Nichols in Fleetstreet was Mr. Wych's Goldsmith, where he kept his own Cash; Mr. Wych waited on the Lady to know where she would be pleased to have the Money as it was received, and mentioned to her both Sir Robert Child and Mr. Nichols; but the Lady said, Mr. Norcott was the Banker, at whose Shop their Family had lodged their Cash, and therefore ordered what Moneys were to be paid to her, should be paid in at Mr. Norcott's Shop; Mr. Wych, that there might be no Delay, generally sent up the Money before Quarter-Day, and placed it in Mr. Norcott's Hands, where the Lady Shaftsbury, as soon as Quarter-Day was over, received it, both for herself and her Son; and about July last he lodged 350 *l.* being one Quarter of the Lady's and her Son's Annuities, in the said Mr. Norcott's Hands, in Order to be ready at Michaelmas Quarter, as appeared by his own Affidavit; on Michaelmas-Day Mr. Norcott stops Payment, and is since become a Bankrupt, and now on the Lady Shaftsbury's Petition, the Question was, on whom the Loss should fall.

My Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, that the Lady Shaftsbury ought not to bear the Loss of any Part of it, for 'till Michaelmas-Day was passed, she had no Right to demand or receive it; that therefore, in the mean Time, Mr. Norcott was Mr. Wych's Cashire, and he might,

might, notwithstanding his having lodged the Money there, have taken it out again before *Michaelmas-Day* was past, even tho' it were on *Michaelmas-Day* itself, provided he had it ready the next Day to pay the Lady; that consequently *Norcott* could have no Power to receive it for the Lady before, because she had no Power herself, nor any Right to demand it before *Quarter-Day*; that she could not demand, or at least receive it on *Michaelmas-Day* itself, because it is one of the Days that no Goldsmiths open Shops, or make any Payments whatsoever; and therefore the lodging the Money at that Shop before the Lady became intitled to it, ought not to turn to her Prejudice, but she must have it made good to her by the Receiver; but whether it should fall on the Receiver *Mr. Wych* himself, or to be born out of the Lord *Shaftsbury's* Estate, my Lord said, would come properly in Question, when he made up his Accounts with my Lord on his coming of Age, and was not now in Question before the Court; but said, he was inclined to think the Receiver was not to be answerable for the Loss, any more than if he had been bringing it up in *Specie*, and had been robbed on the Road.

Another Part of the Petition was to have the Sum of 143 *l.* extraordinary, for the Expences my Lady had been at in a Fit of Sickness of the young Earl, over and above his Quarterly Maintenance, and this was not at all opposed, but for Form Sake, was sent to the Master to state the Matter, and to Report, whether that Sum had been actually expended on that Occasion, or not.

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## Termino Paschæ,

1721.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 344.

*Seagood versus Meale and Leonard.*

**T**HE Bill was brought for a Specifick Execution of an Agreement for the Purchase of nine Houses, which were in Mortgage to the Defendant Leonard for 150 *l* the Defendant Meale, the Owner of the Houses, agreed to sell them to the Plaintiff for such a Sum of Money, and the Plaintiff paid him a Guinea in Part, and sent a Note to this Effect, Mr. Leonard, pray deliver my Writings to the Bearer, I having agreed to dispose of them, and your humble Servant. The Defendant Leonard would not part with them, unless all his Money were paid him down; and after bought the Houses of Meale himself, and thereupon the Plaintiff brought this Bill.

*A. agrees with B. for the Purchase of 9 Houses, which were in Mortgage to J. S. and pays him a Guinea in Earnest. B. writes a Note to J. S. and desires him to deliver up the Writings, he having disposed of them, which J. S. refused, unless all the Mortgage Money was paid him down, and afterwards Purchases them himself; on a Bill brought by A. for a Specifick Execution of the Agreement, it was held, that neither the Guinea paid down, nor the Note, which was only an Evidence of Assent, but did not ascertain the Terms of the Agreement, were sufficient to take it out of the Statute of Frauds and Perjuries.*

The Defendant by his Answer insisted upon the Statute of *Frauds and Perjuries*, and the Question was, Whether the Letter or Note would bring it out of the Statute; for as to the Payment of the Guinea, that was agreed

agreed clearly of no Consequence, in Case of an Agreement touching Lands or Houses, the Payment of Money being only binding, in Cases of Contracts for Goods.

And it was decreed that would not, for it ought to be such an Agreement as specify'd the Terms thereof, which this did not, tho' it was signed by the Party; for this mentioned not the Sum that was to be paid, nor the Number of Houses that were to be disposed of, whether all, or some, or how many, nor to whom they were to be disposed of, neither did this Letter mention, whether they were to be disposed of by way of Sale or Assignment of Lease, and so all the Danger of Perjury, which the Statute was to provide against, would be let in to ascertain this Agreement.

This Case differs from a Case, which was cited of a Letter wrote by one, promising to give such a Fortune with his Daughter to one who should marry her. A Man who marries on the Encouragement of this Letter, shall recover, because the Agreement is executed on his Part as far as it can be, and can never be undone after.

So where a Man on Promise of a Lease to be made to him, lays out Money on Improvements, he shall oblige the Lessor afterwards to execute the Lease, because it was executed on the Part of the Lessee; besides, that the Lessor shall not take Advantage of his own Fraud to run away with the Improvements made by another; but if no such Expence had been on the Lessee's Part, a bare Promise of the Lease, tho' accompany'd with Possession, as where a Lessee by Parol agreed to take a Lease for a Term for Years certain, and continued in Possession on the Credit thereof; yet there being no Writing to make out this Agreement, it is directly within the Statute, and so was held by the Master of the Rolls, in the Case of *Smith and Turner*, Mich. last at the Rolls, and in the principal Case the Bill was dismissed, but without Costs for some Fraud in the Defendants to defeat the Plaintiff of his Bargain.

Promising by Letter to give so much, as a Portion, sufficient to bring the Agreement out of the Statute of Frauds.

Tho' a Lessee for Years on a Parol Agreement, and the Credit of a Promise of having a Lease made to him, continues in Possession; yet it is within the Statute of Frauds, and Equity won't enforce, especially if no Improvements were made by him.



Case 345.  
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Chancellor,  
King Chief  
Justice, and  
Justice Dor-  
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A. having  
Issue three  
Daughters,  
B. C. and D.  
devises 1000 l.  
to B. to be  
paid her at  
the Age of  
21, or Mar-  
riage, upon  
Condition  
that she mar-  
ried with the  
Consent of his  
Executors; and  
likewise devises  
to her several  
Messuages, &c.  
and after  
several other  
Legacies, he  
devises the Re-  
sidue of his Es-  
tate to the Exe-  
cutors, for the  
Benefit of his  
Children, tho' B.  
married a Per-  
son, who made  
his Address to  
her in her Fa-  
ther's Life Time,  
which the Fa-  
ther knew, and  
was dissatisfy'd  
at, and had No-  
tice by the Exe-  
cutors of her Fa-  
ther's Will, yet  
there being no  
Limitation over,  
this won't amount  
to a Forfeiture,  
being only in  
Terrorum.

### *Semphill & Ux' versus Bayly & Ux'.*

**N**athaniel Gaskill had Issue three Daughters only, viz. Sarah his eldest, one of the Plaintiffs, Elizabeth his second, and Rebecca his third, both Defendants, and there being an Amour carried on between the Plaintiffs in his Life Time, he greatly disliked thereof, and declared, if his Daughter married the Plaintiff, he would not give her a Groat, upon which he discontinued his Suit to her; after, the Father the 12th of November 1716, makes his Will, and thereby devises all his Real and Personal Estate to his Executors, to the Uses following,

That is to say, to his Daughter Sarah for her Maintenance 35 l. per Ann. and no more, and to his Daughter Elizabeth 35 l. per Ann. for her Maintenance, and no more, and then goes on; and if my Daughter Sarah should happen to marry with the Consent of my Executors, then I devise to her the Sum of 1000 l. in Part of her Portion to be paid to her, at the Age of 21 Years, or Day of Marriage, which shall first happen, and at the End of three Years, after my Death, all the Messuages, and enumerates several Messuages, &c. all which I will, and shall be to my said Daughter for Life, without Impeachment of Waste, Remainder to her first and other Sons successively in Tail general, Remainder to her Daughters in Tail general, to take as Tenants in Common, and not as Joint-tenants, paying to his Wife 70 l. per Ann. during her Life.

Item, I give to my Daughter Elizabeth 1000 l. in part of her Portion, to be paid to her at her Age of 21 Years, or Day of Marriage, which should first happen, and at the End of three Years after my Death, all that Messuage, &c. and so gives her several other Messuages and

and Lands, other Parts of his Estate, all which he gives her for Life, without Impeachment of Waste, with the like Limitations as is made in the former Sister's Case, and then Orders them to take as Tenants in Common.

*Item*, I give to my Daughter *Rebecca* 30 *l.* per *Ann.* for her Maintenance, 'till she attain the Age of 15 Years, and after 35 *l.* per *Ann.* *Item*, I give my Daughter *Rebecca* 1000 *l.* in Part of her Portion, to be paid to her, at her Age of 21 Years, or Day of Marriage, which shall first happen; and if she shall marry with the Advice and Consent of my Executors, then I give her all the Messuages, &c. and so gives her other Parts of his Estate, all which he directs shall be settled on her in like Manner for her Life, without Impeachment of Waste, and so on directly as in the other Sisters Cases.

And then goes on. In Case any of my said Daughters shall happen to die without Issue, then that Child's Part to go the Survivor; and after some Legacies given, devises all the Residue of his Real and Personal Estate to his Executors upon Trust, to manage and improve the same for the Benefit of the Daughters, and thereout to pay in the first Place all Taxes, Legacies, Chief Rents, and other Rents and Services, and the Overplus, if there be any, as I doubt not but there will. I give and devise to my said three Daughters, to be equally divided betwixt them, and makes two of the Defendants Executors, and soon after dies.

After his Death, the Plaintiff *Semphill* renewed his Addresses to the other Plaintiff his Wife, and the Executors having Notice of it, expressed their Dislike thereof, and sent the Plaintiff *Sarah* Notice thereof in Writing, and of her Father's Will, so that she would be in Danger of forfeiting her Portion, if she married without their Consent, and they could not give their Consent, because they knew it was a Match their Father disliked. Notwithstanding, the Plaintiffs that lived at *Manchester*, about five Months ago Intermarried, the Plaintiff being an Officer, but a Gentle-



man of a good Family and Fortune, not at all inferior to the other Plaintiff.

And now this Bill was brought for the 1000*l.* and to have a Discovery of the Deeds and Writings belonging to the Estate devised to the Plaintiff; and the Cause was heard on Bill and Answer only, and the Defendants, the other Sisters, insisted, by their Answer, on the Benefit of the Plaintiff's Fortune, in Case it were forfeited, and the Executors set forth the whole Matter, and submitted to do as the Court should direct, being indemnified.

The Chancellor *Lechmere*, by the Lord Chief Justice *King*, and Mr. Justice *Dormer*; and the Chief Justice and Chancellor were of Opinion, and the Decree was accordingly; that in this Case the Fortune was not forfeited by this Marriage without Consent; but Mr. Justice *Dormer* held it was.

The Reasons they gave were, that here there appeared no Intention throughout the Will to make it a Forfeiture; that if in any Cases whatsoever, such Clauses may be construed to be *in Terrorem*, they must be so here, for it seems to be nothing but a loose inconsiderate Way of expressing himself, and is only a cautionary Provision, that his Daughters should have the Consent of his Executors in their Marriage; but the Will is not at all coherent throughout, that tho' there is that Condition annexed to *Sarah's* Fortune; yet it is totally omitted, as to *Elizabeth*, and in *Rebecca's* it comes between the Devise of the Money, and the Devise of the Land.

Then 2*dly*, Here is no Devise of it over, tho' he had Occasion in two several Places of his Will to have taken it up again, and given it over, if that had been his Intent, or where he devises, if any of his Daughters die without Issue, he would have inserted, *or marry without such Consent*, if that had been his Intent, or at least, he would have taken Notice of it at the Close of his Will; but that he has not done neither.

And then the last Devise of the Overplus will not carry it, for that is, of the Overplus of the Residue of his Real and Personal Estate, after the Legacies just before mentioned were paid; besides, he adds, if there be any Overplus, as he doubted not but there would, which shows, that he had no Thought of the 1000 l. for that was a Sum, and might be devised over in Case of a Forfeiture, with as much Security as it was given at first, and then he would not have said, if there be any Overplus.

That these Clauses in restraint of Marriage have never been taken favourably; that if there be no Devise over, they have always been held to be only *in Terrorem*, that otherwise Strangers Executors might run away with a great part of a Man's Estate from his Children.

That the Distinction between a Devise over, and where there has been no Devise over, has been taken in all Cases, and was certainly a very good one; that tho' Lawyers knew it would be no Forfeiture, yet the Parties themselves might not be so learned, and therefore it would be some Terror to them to venture to break it; but these Sort of Restrictions could hold no longer than 'till the Party came of Age, after which they would be intitled to their Fortunes, and might bring a Bill for Recovery of them.

*Note*, In this Case were cited *Fry cont. Porter*, 1 *Vent.* 300, 1 *Chan. Cases* 122, *Sir Andrew Bellasis's Case* 346, *Floyd and Hughes*, *Lord Salisbury's Case*.

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Term. S. Trinitatis,  
1721.  
IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Cafe 346.

January 10.

A. devises  
50 l. apiece  
to his two  
Sisters, and  
50 l. to his  
Niece, and  
makes them  
three Execu-  
tors, without  
disposing of  
the Residue  
of his Perso-  
nal Estate,  
the Surplus  
shall be divi-  
ded amongst  
the next of  
Kin, and shall  
not go to the  
Executors.

*Farrington versus Knightley.*

**T**HIS was a Cause wherein my Lord Chancellor had taken Time to consider and see Precedents, and was this, one *Upton* of *Gray's-Inn*, a Batchellor, began his Will in Writing, with his own Hand, and thereby gave several Legacies, and gave the Defendants, who were two of them his Sisters, and one of them his Niece 50 l. apiece, and made them Executors; but before he had finished or signed his Will, he died, possessed of a considerable Personal Estate; and this being proved as a Testamentary Schedule, the Plaintiffs, as next of Kin, brought this Bill against the Defendants the Executors, for a Distribution of the Surplus; and the only Question was, Whether the Plaintiffs were intitled to such Distribution, or whether the Defendants the Executors should go away with it, and it was decreed for the Plaintiffs on View and Consideration of all the Precedents.

My Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, that Executors in these Cases were but Trustees, that if the Testator intended them the Surplus, could he not have easily have said so, that to give them the same Thing

twice over, would be absurd, for the Legacies must come out of the Surplus.

That since the Statute of Distribution, the Succession to a Personal Estate was as much established as the Succession to the Real Estate was before; that because they are made Executors, they therefore must have the Surplus to their own Use, would be to construe the Will by a Rule, which probably the Testator did not understand, for he might be ignorant of the Import of the Word Executor, or never intend by making them such, to give them his Personal Estate; that here it would be the more unreasonable, because they had Legacies given them.

That he had looked into the Case of *Forster, Munt*, and there was no Fraud at all in that Case in the Executors, tho' it had been greatly held there was.

That if *A.* and *B.* severally make their Wills, and make *C.* Executor, and *A.* gives him the Surplus of his Personal Estate; but *B.* does not; and then *C.* dies Intestate; in this Case the Personal Estate of *A.* and *B.* shall go several Ways, for the Administrator of *C.* is admitted to the Administration of the Personal Estate of *A.* but the next of Kin to *B.* are to have Administration to him, and will be intitled to his Personal Estate; which proves *C.* as to that was but a Trustee.

And a Case was cited of *Blackwell and Dry*, where a Man devised his Real and Personal Estate to his four Daughters, and their Heirs, Executors and Administrators; one of the Daughters died, and the Question was, who should have her Share; and it was decreed to go in the same Manner as a Real Estate to the surviving Daughter.

And in this Case was likewise cited the Earl of *Bristol* cont' *Hungerford*, where Sir *William Basset* devised his Personal Estate to pay his Debts and Legacies, and gave 1000 *l.* apiece to his Executors; and it was agreed, that the Surplus should go to the Representatives of the next of Kin,



Kin: Also Bayly cont' Powel, Randal and Rookey, Ward cont' Lant, Westmore cont' Jones, Batchelor and Searle, Dutchess of Beaufort's Case, Edward and Eyles, and Paules cont' Smiths; and my Lord Chancellor was of Opinion, that none of these Cases are inconsistent with the general Rule he laid down; so that Executors are but Trustees, and were to have nothing more to their own Use, than what the Testator plainly intended them as Legatees or Devisees, and not the whole *Residuum*, by Virtue of the Executorship.

Case. 347.

16 June.

In Court Ld  
Macclesfield.

A Court of  
Equity won't  
assist a Copy-  
holder a-  
gainst a For-  
feiture, which  
is found such  
at Law, un-  
less in Cases  
where a Com-  
pensation can  
be made.

Sir Harry Peachy versus Duke of  
*Somerset.*

**T**HE Plaintiff's Father was a Copyholder in Fee, under the Duke of *Somerset*, of some Copyhold Lands of about 14 or 15 l. *per Ann.* and made a Surrender thereof to the Use of himself for Life, with Remainder to his first and other Sons, on his Marriage, in Tail Mail, with Remainder to himself in Fee; but it did not appear that there was ever any Admittance on the Surrender in the Father's Life Time: The Father was likewise seised of Freehold Lands adjoining the said Copyhold Lands, wherein were some Quarries of Stone.

The Father in his Life Time made some Leases for Years of this Copyhold Land, not warranted by the Custom of the Manor; and likewise carried on his Work from the said Quarry of Stone out of his Freehold Lands into the said Copyhold Lands, but had no Licence for making the said Lease, or for working the said Quarry in the Copyhold Lands.

After his Death, in the great Storm which happened in the Year 1703, several of the Trees standing in the Copyhold Lands were blown down, and the Tops of all others broke off, so that the now Plaintiff, who was just come of Age, cut off, lopped the Tops of several others of the Trees, and some he quite cut down to make

make the Avenue to his House the more uniform and regular.

It was likewise proved in the Cause, that he had made some Inclosure in the Copyhold Lands, whereby the same which before lay open and uninclosed was separated and divided from the other, and these Things he had frequently done, notwithstanding repeated Admonitions from the Defendant and his Agents to the contrary.

It appeared in the Cause, that the Plaintiff, who was a Person of Consideration, had encouraged others of the Copyhold Tenants, to take the same Liberty, and expressed great Contempt for the Lord of the Manor, with Respect to his Authority over his Copyholders.

Upon which the Defendant brought his Ejectment, and had a Verdict at Law, as for a Forfeiture, and to be relieved against these Forfeitures, the Plaintiff now brought this Bill; and the only Question was, Whether these were such Sort of Forfeitures as a Court of Equity could, or ought to interpose in by way of Relief.

It was agreed, that for Non-Payment of Rent of Fines, or such like Things, where a Value might be set on them, and a Compensation made to the Lord of the Manor, for any Laches in Point of Time, it could; it was likewise agreed, that any Forfeiture committed by a Copyholder for Life, would not bind the Person in Remainder; but in the principal Case, as there was no Admittance upon the Father's Surrender, it was the same Thing as if no Surrender at all had been made, and that the Copyholder, who made such Surrender continued to all Intents and Purposes, both with Respect to the Lord, and with Respect to Strangers, the same, as if no such Surrender at all had been made; that he was to do Suit and Service, and to pay his Rent to the Lord, and might maintain an Action of Trespass against any Stranger, notwithstanding such Surrender, and as if none at all had been made.



It was likewise agreed, that Conditions in Law, as those in the principal Case, were allowed to bind Infants, as well as Persons of full Age; and that no Notice was requisite to be given of them, tho' if it were necessary, here is express Notice given the Plaintiff to forbear several of those Acts.

And therefore, as to the principal Point it was urged, that if any Acts whatsoever could be a voluntary Forfeiture, these must be such, and that a Court of Equity ought not to relieve against them.

That the ancient Rule for the Jurisdiction of this Court was confined to those Sort of Cases, that is to say, to Frauds, Accidents, and Trusts; and this was by no Means within the Reason and Meaning of any of them.

That no Compensation could be made to the Lord for what had been done in this Case; that tho' it was true in all Cases whatsoever, some Sort of Compensation could be made, yet not such an one within the Meaning of that Rule wherein Compensation had been allowed; that therefore this differed exceedingly from the Cases of Forfeiture for Non-Payment of Rent, of Fines, or other Pecuniary Duties; and if the Court could Interpose in this Case, so they might with as much Reason, when a Tenant for Life or Years of Freehold Lands should take upon him to levy a Fine, or make a Feoffment in Fee; for in these Cases it may be said, that in some Cases a Compensation might be made to the Person in Remainder or Reversion, but that was never attempted, nor could it be so much as pretended, that the Court would relieve against Forfeitures of this Sort.

That the Reason of the Forfeiture was in Consideration of the Injury done to the Lord, that is, in the present Case, those Leases at Common Law being without Licence, might in Time be made Use of as Evidence to prove it a Freehold, that the lopping and topping of the Trees, for ever spoiled the Growth of them, and prevented their coming to be Timber.

That the carrying on the Quarry to the Copyhold Lands was the same Thing, as if it had been first open'd therein, which no Copyholder could do.

That the inclosing the Copyhold Lands one from another, might in Time destroy the Evidence of their being Copyhold, as it destroy'd the ancient Boundaries thereof, and so it would be to convert Meadow or Pasture Ground into Arable.

That no Case could be put, where the Court had relieved in Cases of this Nature, that where a Lease was made of Church Lands, under a proviso, not to assign without Licence, this would not relieve against the Forfeiture, as it could not alter the Terms on which the Lessor himself thought proper to part with his Lands, or Force a Tenant upon him in spite of his Teeth, indeed, if this were only by way of Consent on the Part of the Lessee, it might possibly be otherwise.

That in the principal Case, they were in Possession of the Land, and had recovered a Verdict, and to take it away from them would be to alter the established Course of the Law, and to make a new one, which they supposed a Court of Equity had no Power to do; and the Case of *Thomas cont' Porter*, 1 *Chan. Cas.* 95, 96, was said to be monstrous; that the Lord, who had upon two Trials at Law recovered Verdicts, should not only be obliged to account for the Mesne Profits, but also pay Costs.

That this was not an Application to be relieved against the Rigour of the Law, or to relax the Law, but directly to make a new Law; and the Plaintiff by bringing this Bill, had admitted the Law to be directly against him, otherwise he might make Use of it as his Defence at Law.

That it would be of the utmost Consequence to Lords, if the Plaintiff should be relieved in this Case; for then it would be but endeavouring to keep these Things Secret for a considerable while, and in Time they would



grow into an Evidence of Freehold; or if the Tenant should be found out, it would be only bringing his Bill here, and all would be safe.

My Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, that there was no Foundation for Equity to interpose, that it would be to alter the Nature of the Tenure, and the Terms whereby Copyholds subsisted; that if this was a Forfeiture at Law, a Court of Equity had nothing to do with it, and that it was like the Case of a Feoffment made, or Fine levied by a particular Tenant, against which there could be no Relief.

That Copyholders were but Tenants at Will, tho' it were according to the Custom of the Manor, that this entirely differed from the Case of a Forfeiture for Non-Payment of Rent, Non-Payment of a Fine; for there the Estate was but in the Nature of a Security for those Sums, and the Lord might be recompenced in Damages and Costs.

That to make a Lease for Years without Licence, was a Forfeiture, as it was a Determination of his Will; and tho' the Lord should refuse to grant such Licence, yet the Tenant has no Remedy, nor would this Court compel the Tenant to grant such Licence.

That tho' these Copyholds are mended by Time, and are in the Nature of an Inheritance, yet still the Tenant is obliged to observe the Law and Custom to which they are subject; that these Customs are in the Nature of a Limitation of an Estate, which determines upon the Breach of them; that unless there were some equitable Circumstances in this Case, this Court cannot interpose, which would be to repeal and destroy the Law.

*Note.* In this Case Sir Harry Peachy in 1593, on his Marriage, surrendered these Copyhold Lands to the several Uses in his Marriage Settlement, which were to the Use of himself for Life, Remainder to his first and other Sons successively in Tail Male, Remainder to himself in Fee; and he had Issue a Son not yet of Age, who was Complainant with him in this Suit; but there had

had been no Admittance at all upon this Surrender, for want of which it was clearly held, that Sir Harry Peach continued, and was to be considered as absolute Tenant to the Duke of the Copyhold Lands; for which was cited *Co. Jac. 403.* and *Bulst. and Telv.* that consequently Sir Harry was but Trustee for his Son of the Inheritance of those Lands; but the whole Inheritance *quoad* the Lord was in Sir Harry, and any Act of Forfeiture done by him would bind the Inheritance, because there must always be some Tenants to answer for the whole: for if there had been an Admittance of the Father for Life, and of the Son in Remainder, because they come in as it were by two distinct Grants from the Lord himself, and therefore, the Acts of one will not bind or effect the other; but till there is an Admittance on such Surrender, the Lord is not bound to take any Notice of it; but the Tenant continues to all Intents and Purposes the same Estate that he had before; and the rather, because that he had no Means to compel him to come in, and be admitted on such Surrender; and whether the Son of Sir Harry will ever apply to be admitted on the Surrender, may be uncertain, and consequently till he does, Sir Harry is the only Tenant the Lord can take Notice of, and his Acts will bind and affect the whole Inheritance; therefore, if he should commit Treason, it would be a Forfeiture to the Lord of the whole Inheritance; and so it would be, if any other Trustee of a Copyhold; and the Lord would not be bound by the Truth, nor would the Lands in his Hands be subject thereto. For the *Cestui que Trust*, is not Tenant, nor can any Acts of his, either of Treason, Felony, or otherwise, charge or affect the Copyhold Lands. Indeed, if he should bring his Bill in this Court against his Father, and the Duke to compel an Admittance pursuant to the said Surrender and Settlement, it might come then to be considered how far this Forfeiture of his Father's would bind him; but at present nothing of this appears in the Case, nor can the Court take Notice of it, but in Regard of that Surrender,



render, the Bill as to him was dismissed without Prejudice, and as to Sir Harry, it was dismissed absolutely; but an Injunction to stay his taking out Execution on the Judgment in Ejectment, was granted, because it was insisted, that even at Law several of those Acts were no Forfeitures; and therefore a Trial at Bar was directed on a new Ejectment to be brought to wait the event thereof.

In this Case were cited a Case of *Con* and *Hickford*, before Lord Chancellor *Harcourt*, where the Court would not relieve against a Forfeiture of a Copyholder, even for permissive Waste for letting a Copyhold House tumble down for want of Repairs; but in that Case the Reason was, because it was an absolute Refusal to repair it for several Years together, after repeated Admonitions and Presentments of the Jury of the Waste; and therefore it was equal to voluntary Waste: And the Case of *Edmore* and *Craven*, where a Quaker refusing to swear Fealty, the Lord seised as for a Forfeiture; yet upon the Circumstances of the Case, the Court gave Relief; likewise were cited 1 *Rol. Abr.* 851, *Owen* 641, *Leon.* 126, 2 *Vent.* 352, *Co. Lit.* 53, 68, and the Case of *Nash* and the Countess of *Derby* before Lord Keeper *Wright*, where Relief was against a Forfeiture for cutting down Timber by a Copyholder; but the Reason of that Case was, because the Timber was employ'd about the Repairs of the Copyhold; and there was only a Mistake, whether the Steward, or Woodman should set out the Timber.

*Note,* The principal Case held three Days, and was solemnly debated; but as to the principal Point, whether this Court could relieve against a voluntary Forfeiture; My Lord Chancellor was clear, that it could not, and that it would be even to alter and repeal the very Law of Copyholds, which tho' now supported by Custom, were at first established by Act of Parliament, as all other Parts of the Common Law were, 'till the Records of them came to be lost, tho' against a Forfeiture for permissive Waste only, Relief may be given.

## Sir Harry Hick versus Phillips.

Case 348.

**T**HE Defendant in June last enter'd into Articles with the Plaintiff, for the Purchase of an Estate of 180 l. per Ann. for which he was to give 35 Years Purchase, upon executing Conveyances, and the Plaintiff covenanted to grant and convey the Lands to him, upon Payment of the Purchase Money; after the Defendant discovering, that about 30 l. per Ann. of these Lands were Copyhold, refused to go on with his Bargain; and hereupon the Plaintiff brought his Bill for a Specifick Execution of the Articles; and the rather, for that the Defendant had paid 50 l. in Part, upon executing the Articles.

A. Articles with B. for the Purchase of an Estate of 180 l. per Ann. for which he was to give 35 Years Purchase, upon granting and conveying to him, and pays 50 l. in Part; but discovering, that 30 l. per Ann. of the Lands were Copyhold, refused to go on. On a Bill by B. will Order the

Equity won't decree a Specifick Execution of this Agreement, being unequitable; but 50 l. to be paid back.

It was argued for the Plaintiff, that there was no Disability on his Part to perform the Agreement, that the Conveyance agreed to be made, must be construed *secundum Subjectam Materiam*, that is, the Freehold by Conveyance at Common Law, and the Copyhold by Surrender in the Lord's Court, which was the proper Conveyance for that Sort of Land; and therefore the Plaintiff being willing to perform his Part, the Defendant ought to be bound to compleat his Part likewise.

But on the other Hand it was argued and decreed by my Lord Chancellor, that the Plaintiff should have no Assistance in a Court of Equity for carrying this Agreement into Execution; that they were not bound to assist Contracts, which were harsh and unequitable, or were attended with such Circumstances, as would be a hardship on the Defendant; that this was a Case proper for a Jury at Law, to consider of, where they might mitigate or moderate the Damages according to what the Circumstances should appear to be; but this Court could take no Advantage of such Circumstances, but must either decree an Execution of the Agreement, or dismiss



the Bill; and therefore the Plaintiff ought to be left to make the most he could of it at Law; that the Plaintiff in strictness could not perform his Part of the Agreement, for Part of the Lands being Copyhold, could not be convey'd within the Meaning of these Articles, the Words thereof being all proper for Conveyances at Common Law only; and this being Copyhold, could not be so convey'd, unless it had been enfranchised, and the Case of *Young and Clerke* was cited, wherein the over Value of the Land was the Reason the Court would not decree an Execution of the Leases; and for the same Reason ought not, for the over Value of the Money in this Case, and therefore dismissed the Bill, and ordered the 50 *l.* to be paid back, but without Costs.

*Note,* The Defendant swore in his Answer, he had no Notice of any Part of these Lands being Copyhold at the Time of the Articles; but there was no Proof of any Fraud or Endeavours to conceal its being Copyhold from the Defendant; but only a general Contract to convey all those Lands, without distinguishing, whether Freehold or Copyhold.

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## Termino S. Mich.

1721.

In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ,

*Bowaman* versus *Reeve*.

Case 349.

**T**HE Defendant's Testator being seised of a considerable Estate in *Holland*, consisting in Houses, Goods, Merchandizes, Jewels, and other Effects, and being a Native of that Country, and residing there, sends for a Notary Publick to make his Will, and according to the Custom of the Country, an Instrument is drawn up in the Nature of a Will, and executed, whereby the Testator gives some of the Houses to the Minister of the Presbyterian Meeting there, and others to the Minister of the Reformed Church there; and then gives all the Residue of his Goods, Chattels, Plate, Jewels, and other Effects (which are very particularly enumerated) to the Defendant, whom he makes his universal Heir and Executor, and dies possessed of a very considerable Personal Estate in *England*, besides what he had in *Holland*.

A Native of *Holland* possessed of a Personal Estate, both there and in *England*, and making his Will in *Holland*, how it must be construed, so as to take Effect, notwithstanding the Difference of the Laws of each Country.

By the Laws of that Country, there is no Distinction between Real and Personal Estate, but both are equally liable to the Satisfaction of Creditors; and therefore, after the Testator's Death, his Creditors in *Holland* took Possession



Possession of those Houses so specifically devised, as  
aforesaid, for the Satisfaction of their Debts; and tho'  
there were other considerable Effects in *Holland*; yet the  
residing Devisee and Executor would not intermeddle  
therewith, because by the Law of that Country if he  
does, he must take upon him the Payment of all the Testa-  
tor's Debts, whether they exceed or fall short of his  
Assets; but he proved the Will here in *England*, and by  
Virtue thereof, possessed himself of all the Testator's  
Estate and Effects here; and thereupon, the Plaintiffs,  
who were Devisees of the Houses in *Holland*, brought  
this Bill against the Executor and Residuary Legatee to  
have a Recompence in Proportion, to the Value of the  
said Houses.

— And my Lord *Chancellor* decreed an Account and Sa-  
tisfaction accordingly; and tho' it was urged, that those  
Houses by the Law of this Country being liable to the  
Payment of Debts, and therefore the Specifick Devisees  
must take them liable thereto, and that the Testator  
never intended to give them otherwise, or to give them  
any other Part of his Estate; and that they must take  
them *cum onere*; yet he held, that they should have such  
Account and Satisfaction as aforesaid.

And my Lord *Chancellor* further said, that there was  
no Difference between a Devise of these Houses, and a  
Devise of a Horse, or a Term for Years here; and that  
in those Cases, if the Creditors bring an Action, or take  
out Execution upon a Judgment against the Executors,  
and take the Horse, or Term for Years in Execution,  
which they may do, notwithstanding the Specifick De-  
vise thereof, yet most certainly the Executor, or Resi-  
duary Legatee shall be obliged in Equity to make them  
a Recompence; for they are to have nothing to their  
own Use but the Residue, after the Debts and Legacies  
paid, and this *Residuum* is chargeable with the Debts;  
tho' as to the Creditors, they must take what Part they  
think fit in Satisfaction of their Debts, and the enu-  
merating of Particulars in this Devise of the *Residuum*, makes

it no more a Specifick Devise, than if he had only said in general, all the rest of his Goods and Chattels, or such like Words; and therefore this *Residuum* liable to the Payment of Debts, altho' the Creditors thought fit to fix on other Parts of his Estate, and thereby deprived the Specifick Legatees of what was intended them.

*Downum & al. versus Mallibus & al.*

**THE** Plaintiffs were Clothiers, and had mutual Dealings with one B, to whom they sold and delivered several Cloths, and yet set off the money owing to them in buying of Cloths: These Dealings had been carried on for several Years, without Payment of Money on either Side; but the Debt on one Side was paid off against the Debt on the other Side, and likewise indebted to the Defendants for Cloths, and on other Goods, which he had bought of them, and on setting Accounts between B and the Defendants, he appeared to be indebted to them in the Sum of 300*l*. and now, for which he made them a Mortgage, and becoming after indebted to them in 200*l*. and upwards, he did for recovery of the Money owing into a Bond, and contended a Judgment to them. B, died intestate, and indebted likewise to several other Persons by Bonds and other Securities: The Defendants took out Administration as principal Creditors, and finding several Sums as due and owing from the Plaintiff, demanded Payment thereof: The Plaintiffs on the other hand had several

Case 350.  
A. a Clothier, and B. a Merchant, had mutual dealings in the buying and selling of Cloths, which were carried on for several Years, without Payment of Money on either Side, but the Debt on one Side was paid off against the Debt on the other Side, and likewise indebted to the Defendants for Cloths, and on other Goods, which he had bought of them, and on setting Accounts between B and the Defendants, he appeared to be indebted to them in the Sum of 300*l*. and now, for which he made them a Mortgage, and becoming after indebted to them in 200*l*. and upwards, he did for recovery of the Money owing into a Bond, and contended a Judgment to them. B, died intestate, and indebted likewise to several other Persons by Bonds and other Securities: The Defendants took out Administration as principal Creditors, and finding several Sums as due and owing from the Plaintiff, demanded Payment thereof: The Plaintiffs on the other hand had several



# DE Termino S. Hillarii,

1721.

## IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

Case 350.

*Downam & al' versus Matthews & al'.*

*A. a Clothier, and B. a Dyer, had mutual dealings in the Way of their Trade, which were carried on for several Years, without Payment of Money on either Side. B. dies Intestate, and indebted to others by Specialties, who as principal Creditors take out Administration to him, and sue A. at Law. Equity will enjoin the Action, and order an Account; and that A. shall be allowed by Way of Discount what was due to him from B.*

**T**HE Plaintiffs were Clothiers, and had mutual Dealings with one *Bifs*, to whom they sold and delivered several Cloths, and *Bifs* set off the Money owing to them in dying of Cloths: These Dealings had been carried on for several Years, without Payment of Money on either Side; but the Debts on one Side were paid off against the Debts on the other Side, *Bifs* was likewise indebted to the Defendants for Cloths, and other Goods, which he had bought of them, and on stating Accounts between *Bifs* and the Defendants, he appeared to be indebted to them in the Sum of 300 *l.* and upwards, for which he made them a Mortgage, and becoming after indebted to them in 200 *l.* and upwards, he did for securing of that Money enter into a Bond, and confessed a Judgment to them. *Bifs* died Intestate, and indebted likewise to several other Persons by Bonds and other Specialties: The Defendants took out Administration as principal Creditors, and finding several Sums as due and owing from the Plaintiffs, demanded Payment thereof: The Plaintiffs on the other Hand had several

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Sums of Money due, and owing them from the Intestate, and offered to account with the Defendants, and pay what should be due on the Ballance thereof; but insisted to retain what was owing them towards Payment of what was owing from them to the Intestate, as they had always done in his Life Time; upon this the Defendants being both Administrators and Creditors by Specialty, as aforesaid, thought themselves intitled to a Preference in Payment before the Plaintiffs, who were at most but Creditors by Simple Contract; and thereupon the Defendants refused to discount what was due to the Plaintiffs from the Intestate, out of what was due from the Plaintiffs, to the Intestate; but instead thereof brought Actions at Law against the Plaintiffs for the Money owing by them to the Intestate: And to be relieved against these Actions, and that they may be allowed to stop their own Debts out of what was owing by them to the Intestate, the Plaintiffs brought this Bill; and the only Question was, Whether the Defendants should be obliged to enter into the Account.

It was argued by the Defendants, that they ought not, that they were not only Administrators, but also Creditors, and Creditors too by Specialty; and therefore had a right to recover and retain towards Payment of their own Debts, preferable to the Plaintiffs, who were only Creditors by Simple Contract; that this was a legal Advantage they were intitled unto, and that a Court of Equity ought not to take it from them; however hard this might seem as against the Plaintiff; yet the bare Hardship of it could be no Ground for Relief in a Court of Equity; that before the late Statute it was the same in the Case of Bankrupts, that the Debtors to the Bankrupt should be obliged to pay whatsoever they were indebted to him, without the Liberty of retaining what he was indebted to them; and tho' this is now alter'd, yet the present Case remains as at Law, and the Defendants ought not to be deprived of it by a Court of Equity; and that to do this would be to invert and alter the

Course

A Court of Equity won't deprive one Creditor of a legal Advantage in Favour of another.



Course of Administration, which allows that Debts of a superior Nature should be paid preferable to Debts of an inferior Nature, as the Plaintiffs are.

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But Lord *Chancellor* said, that tho' generally stoppage was no Payment, and that there were some Cases where this could not be done, as a Man could not stop his Rent for Money owing to him, or a Bond toward Satisfaction of a Simple Contract Debt; yet in Cases of this Nature, where it appeared, that the mutual dealing between the Intestate and the Plaintiffs were carried on for several Years in this Manner, without Payment of any Money on either Side, it was a strong presumptive Argument of an Agreement to this Purpose, and that without such Liberty of retaining against each other, they would not have continued on their Dealings; but if it had been insisted upon by either Party; that the other should not be allowed to set off his Debt out of what was owing by him to the other, as they could, that this would have soon broke off all Dealings between them; that this was the constant Use among Merchants and Traders, and the only Reason which induced them to take such Goods as they wanted of one, rather than another, was, that such other Person in his Way should take of them the Goods he wanted, and to set off one against the other; that the Statute of Bankrupts which directed Accounts to be taken in such Manner, did it because it was reasonable to have been so before, or else you must suppose, that the Parliament made an unreasonable Law; that if there was but the least Handle for directing such an Account, it ought to be done, as if even in Case of a Bond, the Interest had not been paid, but cast up and allowed in Goods, that this would intitle them to retain the whole against each, as the Account should come out, that the Representatives of each Party would be in no better Condition than the Parties themselves would have been, in Case they had been living, and no Pretence could have been to let the one go on for the recovery of his Debt, without allowing the

the other to retain his own Debt thereout; and therefore sent it to a Master to take the Account accordingly, and ordered the Plaintiffs Costs out of the Assers.

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Termino Paschæ,

1722.

IN CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

*Ivy versus Gilbert.*

**O**NE Roger Pomfrey being seised of the Estate in Question, which was about 160 *l.* *per Ann.* in the West of England, in 1651, makes a Settlement thereof on his Marriage, to two Trustees, and their Heirs, to the Use of himself for Life, Remainder to Trustees during his Life to support Contingent Remainders, Remainder to his Wife for Life for her Jointure, Remainder to the first and other Sons of that Marriage in Tail Male, Remainder to two other Trustees for the Term of 120 Years, Remainder to his own right Heirs.

sing it; and the Words of the Power are, that the Trustees shall raise it out of the Rents, Issues and Profits of the Lands, as well by leasing or demise of the same for 21 Years, or three Lives; yet may the Trustees, if there be Occasion, by Way of Anticipation, Mortgage Lands, or raise the Money any other Way.

Case 351.

April 14.

Lord Masclef-  
field.

On a Marriage Settlement, on failure of Issue Male a Term for Years is created and vested in Trustees, for raising a Sum of Money for Daughters, tho' there is no particular Time appointed for raising it.

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The Term of 120 Years was declared to be upon Trust, that if there should be no Issue Male of that Marriage, and one or more Daughters, then that the Trustees, by and out of the Rents, Issues and Profits of the said Premises, as well by leasing, or by demising the same for 21 Years, or three Lives, or for any Term or Number of Years determinable on three Lives, not exceeding 120 Years, to raise and pay for the Portions of such Daughters, if more than one, the Sum of 1500 *l.* equally between them; and if only one such Daughter, then the said Sum of 1500 *l.* to such only Daughter, without limiting any Time for the Payment thereof, and without any Proviso for determining the said Term, on Payment of the Money.

The Marriage took Effect, and the Wife died some Time after without Issue Male, leaving only one Daughter. *Roger Pomfrey* lived until 1718; but in 1706 he made a voluntary Settlement of the Estate in Question, to the Use of himself for Life, Remainder to *Hugh Pomfrey* his Nephew for Life, Remainder to Trustees during the Life of his Nephew, to preserve Contingent Remainders, with Remainder to the first and other Sons of the said Nephew in Tail Male successively, Remainder to the Defendant *John Gilbert*, for Life, with Remainder to Trustees during his Life, to support Contingent Remainders, with Remainder to his first and other Sons in Tail Male, with several Remainders over.

Soon after the Death of *Roger Pomfrey*, *Joan* his only Daughter (the Trustees for the Term of 120 Years, being both dead) took out Letters of Administration to the surviving Trustee, and then married, and her Husband having Occasion for her Portion, they applied to *Hugh Pomfrey*, who had been in Possession of the Estate about three Years, to have the same paid; but he, not being able to pay the same, joined with her and her Husband in a Mortgage of the Remainder of the Term of 120 Years to the now Plaintiff, in Consideration of 1500 *l.* by him lent and advanced to the Husband,

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with a Covenant from *Hugh Pomfrey* for Payment of the Money.

It appeared in the Cause, that *Hugh Pomfrey* had paid the Interest of the 1500*l.* from the Death of *Roger*, first to *Joan* herself, and afterwards to the Plaintiff from the Time of the Mortgage, which was in 1712, to his Death, having received the whole Profits of the Estate during his Life, and having made him, and one of the Defendants his Executors; and on the Death of *Hugh Pomfrey* without Issue, the Defendant *Gilbert*, as next in Remainder for Life, entred on the Estate in Question; and the Representatives of *Hugh*, not having Assets to pay the 1500*l.* The Plaintiff now brought this Bill against the Representatives of *Hugh*, for a Discovery of Assets, and against the Defendant *Gilbert*, that he might redeem or be foreclosed.

For the Plaintiff it was insisted, that he was an Honest Creditor, and having lent his Money, his Application to this Court was proper; that tho' the Clause which impowers the Trustees to raise the Portions seems imperfect, yet it appears, that the Trustees might mortgage the Premises, and that plainly there are some Words wanting, for after a Direction to raise the 1500*l.* out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits, it follows, as well by *demising, leasing, &c.* and there is nothing after it to answer, as by *some other Way*, or at least this ought to be supposed in this Manner, *viz. out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits as well (as) by demising, leasing, &c.* and that some other Parts of the Deed seemed to explain it in this Sense, and that the Trustees, or the Representatives of the Survivor of them (which was *Joan* herself) had good Power to Mortgage the Term for raising the Money, as it had been frequently settled in this Court, that where a Sum of Money was to be raised out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits of an Estate; that if the ordinary annual Profits would not do it, that they might mortgage or sell the Term itself; and this plainly



plainly appears to have been intended for a Portion for *Joan*; and if she had married sooner, might have been greatly Inconvenient to her, if she must have staid 'till it could have been raised out of the annual Profits.

Lord Chancellor. That the natural and primary Interpretation of these Words, *out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits*, was out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits as they arose, and not by Way of Anticipation; but because this might be sometimes greatly inconvenient where Provisions were limited to be paid at such a Time, therefore the Court had extended the meaning of the Words in some Cases, and to answer some particular Purposes; that they should likewise comprehend the Profits of the Term, by Way of Anticipation, as the Land and the Profits of the Land were the same Thing, and this he thought, which at first was introduced to serve a particular Purpose on some particular Circumstances, came by Degrees to be extended to a kind of a general Rule; but this he said, was only where a particular Time was appointed for the raising and paying of the Money; and it appeared plainly, that the ordinary annual Profits of the Land would not be sufficient to raise it within the Time, there they had been allowed to raise it by Way of Anticipation of the Profits by Way of Mortgage; but in this Case there was no particular Time appointed for the raising of this 1500 *l.* and therefore no Occasion to anticipate the Profits of this Term for that Purpose.

He further observed, that here was no Power to raise the 1500 *l.* by way of Anticipation of the Profits for more than 21 Years, or three Lives, or any Number of Years determinable upon three Lives, and not for the whole 120 Years for the Limitation of demising; leasing for those Terms would be idle, and to no Purpose, if they were at Liberty on the first Words, out of the Rents, Issues, and Profits, to have mortgaged or  
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fold the whole Term, because that included and comprehended all other inferior Ways of raising it by Demise or Lease, by any lesser Term.

Then as to the Objection, that this was like the Case of a Mortgagee, who suffers the Mortgagor to continue in Possession, and Receipt of the Rents and Profits, that this does not Prejudice his Title, but that he may at any Time after, whenever he thinks fit, bring his Bill to foreclose, and the Rents received by the Mortgagor in the mean Time, shall not go in Part of Satisfaction, even tho' there were other Incumbrances behind it.

And therefore my *Lord* was of Opinion, and decreed in this Case, that the Money being to be raised out of the annual Profits as they arose, that the Receipt of *Hugh Pomfrey*, the Tenant for Life, was the Receipt of *Joan* herself, as to those in Remainder; and the Plaintiff standing in the Place of *Joan*, who by taking out Administration to the surviving Trustee, had the legal Estate of this Term, and was also *Cestui que Trust* of it; and the Plaintiff by taking an Assignment of the Term stands in her Place, as to the Remainder Man, and consequently the Profits which were received during his Life, shall go towards Satisfaction of the 1500 *l.* and what shall appear to have been unraised during his Life, to be charged on the Remainder, tho' as against the Representatives of *Hugh*, by Reason of this Covenant for Payment of the Money, the Plaintiffs must have an Account, and his Assets, as far as they will extend, to be applied towards Satisfaction; and as to the Profits received by *Hugh*, before his joining in this Mortgage, his Assets, by Reason of this Covenant which makes it a Debt by Specialty, to be liable to make the Defendant Satisfaction likewise, as to those Profits, otherwise my *Lord* was of Opinion, that they should have been applicable to recompence the Defendant with what his Estate was chargeable with, more by reason of *Hugh's* applying



applying those Profits to his own Use, as a Debt by simple Contract; but the Covenant with the Plaintiff makes it a Debt by Specialty, which must take Place, and decreed accordingly; tho' he agreed, that where a Sum of Money was to be raised out of the Rents and Profits, and paid at a certain Time; that they may be raised by Way of Mortgage on those Words, which was still but out of the Profits, tho' by Way of Anticipation of them; and that where Lands were charged with Debts, or Legacies, and then devised to one for Life, with Remainder over, that each Estate should only bear its own Burthen, and not the whole Profits be applied as they arose, which would defeat the particular Estate; and 'till such Mortgage or Sale, it was sufficient for the Tenant for Life to keep down the Interest, but not in the principal Case, where from the Nature of it the 1500 *l.* was to be raised out of the Profits, as they are; and the Tenant for Life should not be at Liberty to throw the whole Burthen upon those in Remainder; but decreed likewise, that what might have been by letting of Leases, according to the Power, by Way of Fine, if *Hugh* had apprehended his Estate chargeable with this Money, and so had taken the Benefit of making such Leases, that they should be accounted for by the Remainder Man, the Defendant.

Case 352.

*Beech* versus *Crull*.

April 29.  
Lord Chancellor  
on Demurrers.

THE Plaintiff bought 500 *l.* third Subscription of the Defendant, at 205 *per Cent.* Premium, for which he paid in ready Money 1525 *l.* and the Defendant at the same Time gave the Plaintiff a Bond to deliver him 400 *l.* in the said third Subscription, when the Receipts should be delivered out of the same by the Company; and no Receipts being delivered out, this Bill was brought to have the Money refunded, the Plaintiff by his Bill offering to deliver up the Bond; the Defendant

Defendant demurred to the Plaintiff's Bill for want of Equity, and by way of Answer offered to transferr to him the Stock given by the Company for the 500*l.* paid in upon the Subscription, and the Demurrer was allowed.

My Lord *Chancellor* said, the Plaintiff's Equity was, that he was now to pay but 209 *per Cent.* for this Subscription, and complains, that he had not the Receipt delivered out, which would have obliged him to pay 1000 *l. per Cent.* and said, there was no Colour in the World to demand back his Money; but he must take back the Stock given by the Company in Lieu of it, as he agreed to stand in the Seller's Place, and would have been glad to do so, if it had proved an advantageous Bargain, so must he too now, that it comes out to be otherwise; but said, that the Plaintiff might proceed at Law, if he thought fit, upon his Bond, and make the best of it there.

### *Dawes versus Ferrars.*

Case 353.

*Eodem Die.*

**A** Man by his Will devises his Estate to his Wife for Life, Remainder to the Defendant, who was his Grandaughter, and Heir at Law for Life, Remainder to his own Heirs Males, and the Plaintiff and Heir Male brought this Bill against the Defendant, for an Injunction to stay Waste; the Defendant demurred, for that the Plaintiff had no Title, being only Male, but not Heir, the Defendant herself being the Testator's Heir; and therefore the Plaintiff could not take by Purchase, according to *Co. Lit.* 19, and several other Books; and this differs from *Brown* and *Barkham's* Case in this Court, for there the Limitation was to the Heirs Male of the Grandfather, so was *quasi*, an Estate Tail in the Grandfather; but here it is of a Fee-Simple, which none can take, who has not both Parts of the Description in him.

One devises to his Wife for Life, Remainder to his Grandaughter, who was Heir at Law, for Life, Remainder to his own Heirs Male; a Nephew, altho' he be next Heir Male, cannot take by Virtue of this last Limitation, not having both Parts of the Description verify'd in him.

Lord



Lord Chancellor said, this had been settled in all the Courts of *Westminster-Hall*; and therefore it was dangerous now to shake it, tho' he thought *Shelly's Case* not agreeable to Reason, and *Anderson* who reports the same Case says, the Judges gave no Reason at all for their Opinions, tho' Lord *Coke* had made so long a Report of their Arguments; but however weak it was at first, the Law has been taken accordingly ever since; and it is dangerous to remove ancient Land Marks; and said, it was no Matter what the Law was, so it be known, and said, why don't you bring your Action of Waste, and ascertain the Will at Law, so the Demurrer was allowed.

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# Term. S. Trinitatis,

1722.

## In CURIA CANCELLARIÆ.

### Lady Whetstone and Sainsbury.

**O**N the Marriage of the Defendant's Father, the Estate in Question was settled on the Father for Life, Remainder to the first and other Sons of the Marriage successively in Tail Male, with other Remainders over, the Defendant was the eldest Son of that Marriage, and there were seven or eight other Children; after the Birth of all those Children, the Father and Mother having Occasion for about 300 l. make a Mortgage of this Estate, which was done, by way of Lease and Release, and Fine, *come ceo*, &c. this Mortgage Money, by the Addition of other Moneys lent, and Interest from Time to Time increased, 'till at last it came to 700 l. and then it was assigned to the Plaintiff; and another Lease and Release, and Fine were levy'd and executed by the Husband and Wife, for the making good of this Assignment; the Husband died, and this Bill was brought against the Widow and eldest Son, that they might redeem, or be foreclosed, the Mortgage Money being near the Value of the Estate, and to be relieved against the Forfeiture; the Defendant the Son

Case 354.  
July 10.  
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pleaded the Marriage Settlement of his Father and Mother, whereby they were but Tenants for Life, and insisted on the Forfeiture.

My Lord Chancellor allowed the Plea, and said, this was a Contrivance to destroy the Settlement, and disinherit the Son, and said, he had declared his Opinion before, in Cases of this Nature; that there could be no Relief, particularly in the Case of Sir Harry Peachy and Duke of Somerset, so the Plaintiff lost her whole Money.

Case 355.

*Anonymous.*

Part of the Proprietors of an Undertaking may bring some others of them to an Account, without making all the Members Parties, especially, if they sue on Behalf of themselves, and all the rest.

**T**HIS was a Bill brought by the present Treasurer and Manager of the *Temple-Mills* Brass Works, in Behalf of themselves, and all others Proprietors and Partners in the first Undertaking, except the Defendants, who were the late Treasurers and Managers, being about 13 in Number, and was to call them to an Account for several Misapplications, Mismanagements, and Imbezilments of the Copartnership in the late *South-Sea* Times, to the Value of 50,000 l. and upwards, the Copartnership consisted originally but of 18 Shares; but those 18 Shares in the Year 1720, were split and divided into 800.

The Defendants demurred, for that all the rest of the Proprietors were not made Parties, and so every one had the same Right to call them to an Account, and then they might be harrassed and perplexed with multiplicity of Suits; but the Demurrer was disallowed.

1<sup>st</sup>. Because it was in Behalf of themselves and all others the Proprietors of the same Undertaking, except the Defendants, and so all the rest were in Effect Parties.

2<sup>dly</sup>, Because it would be impracticable to make them all Parties by Name, and there would be continual Abatements by Death, and otherwise, and no coming at Justice, if all were to be made Parties.

*Mentney versus Petty.*

**T**HIS was a Case wherein the Master of the *Rolls* had taken Time to consider, and give Judgment, in Relation to the Distribution of an Intestate's Estate; and he said, the Rule to be observed in these Cases, was to be taken from the Civil Law, and not from the Common Law, between which there was a wide Difference in the Computation of the Degrees of Proximity; for the Canon Law, prohibiting Marriage between Relations, 'till after the fourth Degree, that they might exclude as many as possible from the Liberty of Marriage within those Degrees, without a Dispensation, reckon all in the direct ascending or descending Line, and those in the collateral Line corresponding with them to be but one Degree; as for Instance, Father or Mother, Uncle or Aunt make but one Degree; so Grandfather or Grandmother, Great Uncle, or Great Aunt make but two Degrees; but by the Civil Law, the Father or Mother make one Degree, the Grandfather or Grandmother two Degrees, and the Uncle and Aunt three Degrees; so that the Grandfather or Grandmother in the Distribution of an Intestate's Estate, shall be preferred before the Uncle or Aunt, as being nearer of Kin, within the Rules of Computation, or the Law of Proximity by the Civil Law; and so it was decreed by my Lord Chancellor *Comper*, in the Case of *Duppa*; for the Grandmother against the Uncle or Aunt; but if you go one Degree further, and reckon to the Great Grandfather or Grandmother, they are in equal Degree with the Uncle or Aunt, as they are in the third Degree in direct Lines with the Uncle or Aunt, who are in the third Degree in the Collateral Line; for you must reckon thro' the Grandfather or Grandmother, to come to the Uncle or Aunt, and then they are in just the same Degree of Remove from the Nephew or Niece in the

Case 356.

June 28.

At the *Rolls*.

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the collateral Line, as the Great Grandfather or great Grandmother are in the direct ascending Line, and consequently being in equal Degree of Kindred, by the Rules of Computation of the Civil Law, are equally intitled to the distributive Shares with the Uncle or Aunt.

And he said, that the Statute of Distributions was penned by a Civilian, and except in some few particular Instances mentioned in the Statute, is to be governed and construed by the Rules of the Civil Law; and his Honour cited the Case of *Carter and Crawley* at the End of *Raym. Rep.* and several Books of the Civil Law, where this Manner of computing the Degrees is expressly taken Notice of and explained.

## Case 357.

Ante.

July 18.

A Man who marries a Freeman of London's Daughter without his Consent, joins with his Wife in a Release to the Father, in Consideration of a 100*l.* of all their Right to his Personal Estate; after his Death, this shall bar them of their Customary Share.

*Kemps versus Kelsey.*

THE Defendant's Testator was a Freeman of London, and had several Children, the Plaintiff married one of his Daughters without his Consent; but some Time after the Marriage, the Father agreed to give the Plaintiff 100 *l.* provided he would Release whatever customary Share he might be intitled to of the Father's Personal Estate after his Death; and it was proved in the Cause, the Father said he would not leave the Plaintiff the less for it, and that it was what he himself had done upon his own Marriage; accordingly the Defendant and his Wife acknowledged the Receipt of this 100 *l.* and the Husband's Covenant, that he does and will accept it in full of whatever customary Share he may be intitled to in Right of his Wife out of the Father's Personal Estate.

The Father after made his Will, and having only two Daughters, the Plaintiff, and one other married to the Defendant; he devises 400 *l.* to the Defendants, to be put out at Interest for the Benefit of the Plaintiff's Wife, for Life, and after her Death gives this 400 *l.*

to the Defendant, it was computed that the Plaintiff's Orphanage Share would have amounted to 400 *l.* or thereabouts.

And this Bill was now brought to have an Account of the Testator's Personal Estate, and to be let into their Share of the Orphanage Part, notwithstanding the said Release and Covenant. For the Plaintiffs it was insisted, that there was a great deal of Difference between this Case, and a Woman's contracting before her Marriage with a Freeman, as to her customary Share; that she was at Liberty, whether she would marry or not; and therefore, whatever Contract she made before Marriage to exclude herself of any Part of his Personal Estate, ought to be binding, and was always looked upon as a Compounding for her Customary Share; but a Child was a Child, whether she would or not, that it was not a Matter of her own Choice; and therefore, an Act of this Kind was to be looked upon as proceeding from the Awe and Influence of a Parent, and ought to be no farther binding than it was just; and if it were otherwise, she might for 100 *l.* or a lesser Sum, be excluded from five or ten Times as much, or perhaps a great deal more.

That this was in the Nature of a Release of a Possibility of what the Father would die worth, which could not then be known, or he might lay out his whole Personal Estate in Land, and then there would be nothing for the Custom to operate upon; and therefore this Release of a Possibility in the Case of a Child to its Parent, ought not to be conclusive, especially as she was under Coverture, and the Husband in regard to his Wife, was under the same Awe and Influence.

But notwithstanding these Reasons, my Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, that the Plaintiffs had no Pretence in the World for this Bill; that this Release being executed only by the Husband and Wife, there



was nothing under the Father's Hand, whereby the certainty of this Provision for them appeared in Writing, and then by the Custom they were expressly barred to make any Demand of more.

That if the Plaintiffs, who are the very Persons who gave this Release should be let into it aside, it would be a direct Fraud on the Father, for he was not obliged to give them a Groat; and when he becomes so far reconciled, as to give them this 100*l.* upon consenting to give this Release, and the Husband covenants to accept it in full of his Wife's customary Share; that if they should now be admitted to set all this aside, it would be a direct Fraud on the Father, who if it had not been for this Release, might have laid out his Personal Estate in the Purchase of Land, and thereby have prevented entirely the Plaintiffs from the least Pretence of any further Share; and that, perhaps, the Reason of his not doing of it might be in Confidence of the Plaintiffs being barred from demanding any more.

That this *Tittle Tattle* of his not leaving them less, was of no Consequence, when he was not obliged to have given them any Thing.

And he said, this Custom of the City of *London* was the Remains of the old Common Law, that a Man could not give away any Part of his Estate without the Consent of his Children, and is so taken Notice of in *Bracton*; but it being found extremely inconvenient and hard, it was by the tacit Consent of the whole Nation abrogated and grown into Disuse, for what Law has been ever made to repeal it; but in the City of *London*, where the Mayor and Aldermen had the Care of Orphans, they by that sole Authority and Power have preserved this Part of the Common Law in *London*, which is disused and disapproved every where else.

And he said, this differed from the Case of *Frederick* and *Frederick*, where the Father had expressly covenanted to make himself a Freeman of *London*, which was intended to let in the Children of that Marriage into the customary Share, as a Provision for them; and he, tho' frequently applied to for that Purpose, refused to do it, which turned the Fraud on his Side; and so the Bill was dismissed, save only, that the Defendants were to give Security to answer the Interest of the 400 *l.* during the Plaintiffs Wife's Life.

*Anonymous.*

ONE seised of an Estate of 600 *l.* per Ann. devised 300 *l.* per Ann. of it to an Infant, whose Father was his Heir at Law; and the other 300 *l.* per Ann. he devised to the Father, for his Care and Pains in looking after the Son's Estate, 'till he should come to the Age of 21 Years; the Father died, leaving his Son an Infant of six Years of Age; but by his Will devised this 300 *l.* per Ann. to the Defendant his Wife, and desired her to save what she could out of it as a Portion for his Daughter, and appointed her Guardian of his Son; and the only Question was, Whether the Wife was to have the 300 *l.* a Year, 'till the Son came to the Age of 21 Years, or whether this was such a Personal Trust in the Father, as died with him.

Will devised this 300 *l.* to his Wife, and desired her to save what she could out of it for a Portion for his Daughter, and appointed her Guardian of his Son, this 300 *l.* per Ann. does not determine by the Father's Death; but the Wife shall have it 'till the Son arrives to the Age of 21.

Lord Chancellor was clear of Opinion, that the Father being Guardian by Nature, would have been bound to have taken Care of his Son, and of his Estate, tho' he had not been so appointed; and that he being so appointed, was the only Person that could extend his Care as a Guardian after his own Death; that he had by Law a Power to appoint a Guardian over his Children, and

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and tho' he was now dead, yet he still by the Guardian which he had appointed, took Care of his Son; and therefore, this 300 l. *per Ann.* being given him, till his Son should attain the Age of 21 Years, did not determine by his Death, but was an absolute Interest in him for that Time, which he might dispose of as he thought fit; and that it could not determine neither, by his Wife's Death, unless in Case of any Determination thereof, for want of Care of the Son, or of his Estate, which when that happened to be the Case, the Son might complain.

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